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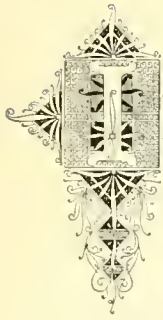


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# INTRODUCTION

This little volume, published and presented by the DAILY LOCAL NEWS, claims a place among the many features of interest that are designed to appropriately celebrate the Centennial of the Borough of West Chester.

Its purpose is to tell briefly of the borough as we find it to-day, more than to look down the dim vistas of the long ago, to when it was incorporated and prior to that period, than into the succeeding years which have marked its growth and perfected its centennial bloom.

It is fitting here to refer to the causes or reasons why there should be a general effort on the part of West Chester's people to celebrate at this time and this can only be successfully done by telling of what has come of a century of activity and intelligent effort on the part of her people.

From a small, but hospitable hostelry of the olden kind, standing at what was then recognized as a cross of two prominent roads, has grown a borough, beautiful in location, majestic in proportions, charming in all things that are pleasing to the eye and conducive to all that pertains to progress, thrift and human advancement.

With schools that are known far and wide for their thoroughness in educational results; with many churches, that serve as beacon lights along the pathways of our people; with flourishing industries, whose wares find ready markets at home and at points beyond the seas; with all the comforts and conveniences found in the large cities, it is eminently fitting that grateful and well-to-do people should devote their time, efforts and money in making this Centennial Celebration a marked success.

This souvenir aims to give the story of the borough of to-day with such glances backward as serve to form interesting and instructive links in the coupling of the present with the past. It is the hope of its publishers that copies of it may be preserved and meet the eyes of those who shall follow in the march of generations, and that when another century has been rounded out and the people of this beautiful borough and that period shall come together for the purpose of celebrating the event may find such evidences as to cause them to say, "Well done" of us, and that we of this day and century were not unmindful of our duty or dull in our appreciation for our homes and their surroundings.

If this volume accomplishes this much, and imparts renewed inspiration and interest in our borough's affairs, its mission will not have been in vain.



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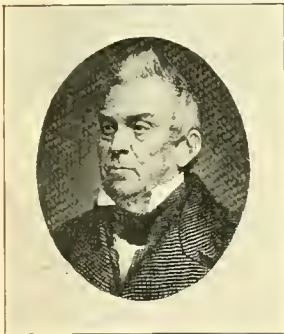
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DR. WM. DARLINGTON.

SOME one has said that had there been no Turk's Head or no Col. Hannum, there would have been no West Chester.

The truth or falsity of such an assertion is of little consequence, and the passing of it by the short route, to what is real and of actual value will, we hope, gracefully dispose of the question, so far as the opinion of our readers is concerned.

In giving a historical sketch of West Chester we are fortunate in having the works of Dr. Darlington, Judge Futhey and Gilbert Cope to draw upon. Dr. Darlington supplied the first chapter of history which appears in a small volume put out by Messrs. Wood & James, job printers here, in 1857, and the two gentlemen last named supplied the second in what is familiarly known as "Futhey's History of Chester county," published in 1881. Both are recognized as reliable publications in the effort to perpetuate the history of the borough in which we live.

## WEST CHESTER.

The County Town and seat of Justice of Chester County, Pennsylvania is in Latitude 39 degrees, 57 minutes, 31.3 seconds North, and Longitude 1 degree, 24 minutes, 57.7 seconds East of Washington City, or 75 degrees, 36 minutes, 32.7 seconds West from Greenwich, near London.

The exact position of the Borough, or rather of the Court House, was ascertained in 1843, by E. W. Beans, then Principal of the Public School, in

West Chester, and Walter Hibbard, Surveyor and Conveyancer, of the same place.

It is situated on the water shed, or dividing ridge, between the Brandywine and Chester Creek, two miles from the former stream, near one of the sources of the latter—five miles South of the great Limestone or Chester Valley; twenty-three miles West of the original city of Philadelphia; about sixteen miles North of Wilmington, Delaware; and about 456 feet above tide.

The geological formation, on which the Borough stands, is primitive—chiefly Gneiss, and Sienitic Trap, or Greenstone,—with large beds or banks of Serpentine rock in the vicinity. The soil is a stiffish clayey loam and tolerably fertile under good management.

Chester was the first organized of the three original counties (namely, Chester, Philadelphia and Bucks) of the Province of Pennsylvania, granted to William Penn by royal charter, dated March 4, 1681.

Those three counties were located along the right margin of the Delaware River, and extended indefinitely into the interior.

The western boundary of Chester County was established by the erection of the County of Lancaster, May 10, 1729, and the Northern and Northwestern by the erection of Berks county, March 11, 1752.

Philadelphia county formed the Northeastern and Eastern boundary of the original Chester county, until the establishment of Montgomery, September 10, 1784, and of Delaware, September 26, 1789,—at which dates, respectively, the former became the boundary on the Northeast, and the latter on the East and Southeast of the present county of Chester.

The Southern limits were determined by the segment of a circle, of twelve miles radius from the Court House at New Castle, so far as the State of Delaware is concerned—and by the famous line of Mason & Dixon, between Pennsylvania and Maryland.

The town of Chester, situated at the mouth of



COURT HOUSE.

Chester Creek, on the right bank of Delaware River, was the first seat of Justice of the county. The earliest European settlers there were chiefly Swedes, who named the place Upland; and the first Court, of which there is any record extant, was held there by Justices of the Peace on the 13th of September, 1681. Upland is first denominated Chester, on this ancient record, at the February term, in 1682, and the first Legislative Assembly of the Province met at Chester on the fourth of December, in the same year. William Penn, the proprietary, presided in person, at the Court held there, on the "27th of the 4th month called June, 1683."

The village or borough of Chester—although located at the extreme Southeastern border of a large county—continued to be the seat of Justice for more than a century. But a sense of its inconvenience, to the great majority of the people, at length induced a vigorous effort for its removal to a more central position. That effort was strenuously resisted by the inhabitants of Chester, especially by that class who derived their chief sustenance from the gleanings incident to a county seat; and the controversy was maintained with varying success, and much acrimony, for several years.

The first regular movement for a new seat of Justice, appears to have been an act of Assembly, passed March 20, 1780. It authorized William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson, and Joseph Davis, or any four or more of them, to build a new Court House and Prison in the County of Chester, and to sell the old Court House and Prison, in the Borough of Chester.

Those gentlemen—being either negligent, or more probably, a majority of them opposed to the project—failed to perform the duties assigned to them by the act, and a supplement was enacted on the 22d of March, 1784, authorizing John Hannum, Esq., Isaac Taylor, Esq., and John Jacobs, or any two of them, to carry the aforesaid act into execution. These three Commissioners were earnest removalists, and went to work with a will. They were restricted, by the "Supplement," from erecting the buildings at a greater distance than one mile and a half from the Turk's Head Tavern, in the township of Goshen.

Tradition says that this distance was named at the instance of Col. Hannum, a shrewd politician, who was of opinion that it would allow the Public Buildings to be located on his own lands, lying on the left bank of the Brandywine, near the junction of the Valley Creek with that stream. The tradition is fortified by the circumstance, that the "Supplement" further required the said buildings to be "to the west or Southwest of said Turk's Head Tavern, and on or near the straight line from the ferry, called the corporation ferry, on Schuylkill, to the village of Strasburgh;" which "straight line" would pass through, or very near to the Colonel's land. But he was mistaken in the distance; for his premises proved to be more than two miles from the Turk's Head.

The mistake, however, did not prevent the Commissioners from going on with the work. They contracted for the site, near the Turk's Head tavern, where the Court House now stands, and commenced the buildings (viz: a Court House and Prison adja-



cent to each other, and connected by the jail yard.) in the summer of 1784. Colonel Hannum,—who was the master spirit of the enterprise, and the founder of West Chester (Cestriacae "primus Urbis et auctor,")—took care to be an extensive lot and land holder, and also a builder of houses, contiguous to the adopted site.

The Colonel was a sort of County Autocrat,—and, for a long time, managed matters pretty much in his own way. He built the old Washington Hotel, on High street, with only a narrow alley between it and the Court House; and with a view to secure the patronage of the Judges to the hotel, he projected a kind of gallery, or passage way, from the second story, across the alley into the Hall of Justice, for the accommodation of their Honors; and even went so far toward effecting an opening, as to remove some stones from the Court House wall,—when the County Commissioners mustered courage enough to forbid further operations. The gaps made in the wall, testified to the presumptuous liberty thus taken, for many years, until the exterior

ers found the removal project thus checked, by the suspending act, they took fresh courage, and indulged the hope that the whole scheme might yet be defeated. To make assurance doubly sure, they deemed it best to demolish the work already done—and thereby remove all pretext for going on with it, at a future day. Accordingly, they mustered their forces,—and being provided with a field piece, a barrel of whisky, and other warlike munitions, they took up the line of march toward the Turk's Head, in order to batter down the unfinished walls of the new Court House and Prison. This was a critical epoch in the history of our venerable Bailiwick.

The Turk's Head people made vigorous preparations for defence. The vicinage was aroused, and ransacked for arms and ammunition; old Thomas Beaumont (long afterward known as a faithful Peace officer, in our borough,) rode all night, among the farm houses of Goshen and Bradford, collecting powder and lead; the walls were duly manned; and the anxious public of Chester County stood in breathless expectation of a renewal of the terrific



BURGESS C. W. TALBOT'S RESIDENCE.

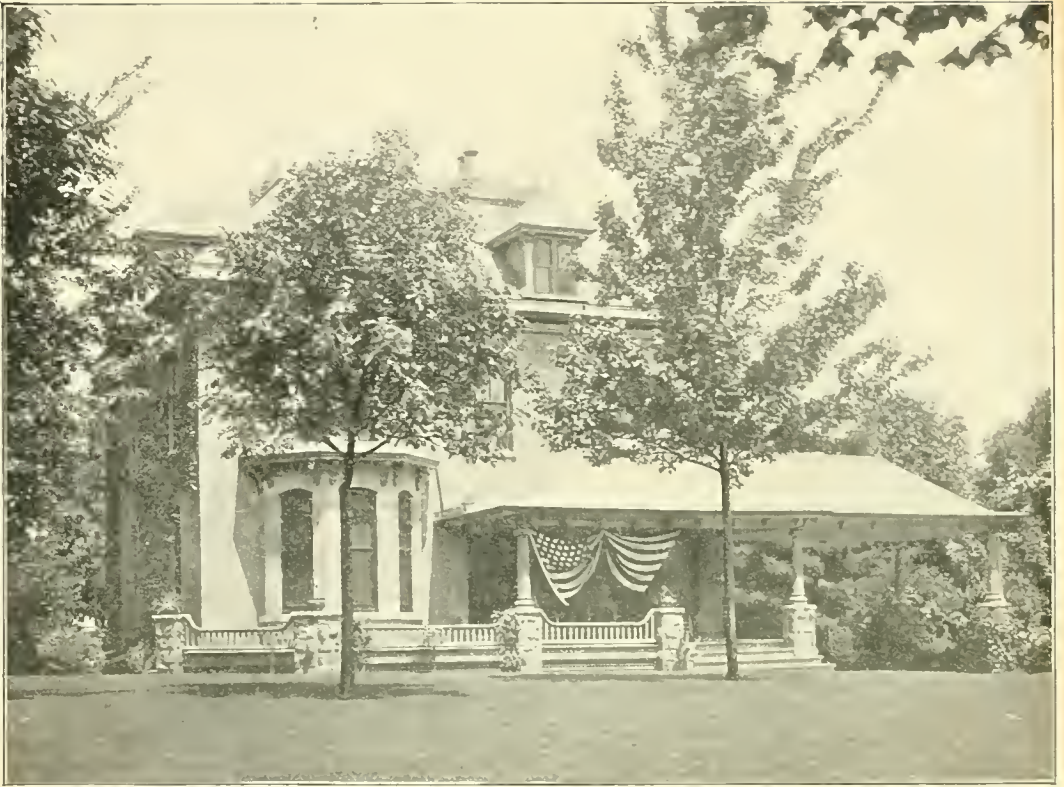
of the old building was renovated by a rough coat of plastering, and pebble-dashing.

While these proceedings were in train, at the Turk's Head, the worthy Burghers of ancient Upland were conceiving a violent opposition to what they naturally regarded as an injurious, if not ruinous, project. The operations of the workmen at the new Public Buildings, were suspended by the ensuing winter, before the walls were quite completed, and the functions of the Commissioners, themselves, were interrupted by an act of Assembly, obtained on the 30th of March, 1785, to suspend the Supplement which authorized them! It would seem that the popular breeze of the Commonwealth, in those days, blew pretty much after the manner of a Monsoon; and the assembled wisdom, in the Hall of Legislation, had a very significant emblem on the spire of the cupola above them. When the Upland-

scenes formerly enacted at Fort Christina, by the Knickerbockers and the Swedes.

When the Uplanders, or Old Chester people, came in sight of the works, and found them garrisoned by numerous sturdy retainers of Hannum and his colleagues,—the "better part of valor," suggested the propriety of a parley, before resorting to the ultima ratio.

An armistice accordingly took place, and negotiations were entered into on the spot, in order to prevent the effusion of blood, and other calamities. Neither Protocols nor diplomatic correspondence have come down to us, to show the precise character of the negotiation; but tradition informs us that the Turk's Head people finally consented to wait for the sanction of the Legislature, before proceeding further with the public buildings, and in consequence thereof, the portentous meeting terminated



THOMAS W. MARSHALL'S RESIDENCE.

in a grand pacific jollification;—such as would startle the “tee-totallers” of our day.

It appears, moreover, that our Law-givers, at the ensuing session, once more changed their minds on the subject, and passed another act in favor of the removal party.

On the 18th of March, 1786, the suspending act was repealed by one with the following curiously iterative title, viz: “An Act to repeal an act entitled an act to suspend an act of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled an act to enable William Clingan, etc.” This repealing act settled the controversy. The three Commissioners, appointed by the aforesaid Supplement, proceeded with all possible dispatch to finish the Buildings, lest the popular breeze might chop round again and the Legislature be induced to repeal the repeal!

During the protracted and bitter contest, which ended in the removal of the Seat of Justice from Old Chester to West Chester, the wits, on both sides, indulged in all the rude jests and sarcasms which the occasion was calculated to provoke.

On the 25th of September, 1786, the new county buildings being ready, a law was passed, empowering the Sheriff of Chester county, William Gibbons, Esquire, to remove the prisoners from the old jail in the town of Chester to the new jail in Goshen township, in said county, and to indemnify him for the same.

The first court held in the new Court House at

the Turk's Head commenced on the 28th of November, 1786, William Clingan, William Haslett, John Bartholomew, Philip Scott, Isaac Taylor, John Ralston, Joseph Luckey, Thomas Cheyney, Thomas Lewis and Richard Hill Morris being the Justices present.

The new seat of justice being now secured, the inhabitants became ambitious that their Turk's Head establishment, in the township of Goshen, should be dignified in a style becoming its rank, and, accordingly, on the 3d of March, 1788, the Legislature gratified them, by converting a certain district of country, in which the Court House in Chester county stands, into a “county town.”

This “town,” about one mile and a quarter square, and comprising some six or eight small farms, was then named West Chester, obviously because of its location, some sixteen or seventeen miles northwesterly from Old Chester. It was taken entire, by a kind of Caesarean operation, from the western side of Goshen township, adjoining East Bradford.

The good people of Old Chester, finding the seat of justice thus fixed at the Turk's Head, and the place itself erected into a “town,” by act of Assembly, very naturally concluded that there was no other way to rescue their venerable town from oblivion but by procuring a division of Chester county, and re-establishing a tribunal of law and justice in their deserted village. They accordingly set themselves to the work in good earnest, and

obtained an act of the Legislature on the 26th of September, 1789, for dividing the county of Chester, and erecting the southeastern portion thereof, by a zigzag line from Chadds' Ford, via Dilworthtown, to Montgomery county, into a separate county, to be called Delaware. By this act, Chester county was reduced to its present dimensions, and the ancient Upland recovered her pristine dignity.

The inhabitants of the rival towns—Chester and West Chester—were now severally gratified, by the attainment of their respective objects. Each party



JUDGE JOS. HEMPILL.

had the satisfaction to reside in the metropolis of a respectable county, and the ancient feud speedily subsided into neighborly harmony and good will. It may, perhaps, be questioned whether any other real advantage has resulted from the sundering of the noble old bailiwick.

In 1791 a building was erected at the northwest corner of High and Market streets for the safe keeping of the county records, which, prior to that time, had been kept by the officers at their own private dwellings. This building was removed in 1847, when the new Court House, with its fire-proof offices, was completed.

At August term, 1791, the Justices sat on the Bench at West Chester for the last time, and at November term, following, the Judges appointed under the Constitution of 1790, took their seats, Wm. Augustus Atlee being the President, and Walter Finney and James Moore the Associates present.

The following is a chronological list of the President Judges who have occupied the Bench in West Chester:

1. William A. Atlee, from November, 1791, to August, 1793, inclusive.

(At November, 1793, Walter Finney and his "companions" held the Court.)

2. John Joseph Henry presided from February, 1794, to February, 1800, both terms inclusive.

3. John D. Coxe, succeeded in May, 1800, and continued to the end of May term, 1805; though from May, 1803, to 1805, he was often absent, and the Courts were held by the Associates.

4. William Tilghman, presided from August, 1805, to February, 1806, inclusive.

5. Bird Wilson, from April, 1806, to November, 1817, inclusive.

6. John Ross, from February, 1818, to May, 1821, inclusive.

7. Isaac Darlington, from July, 1821, to May, 1839, inclusive.

8. Thomas S. Bell, from May (adjourned), 1839, to October, 1846, inclusive.

(Next to Judge Bell, Messrs. Foster and Nil, were temporary, unconfirmed, occupants of the President's seat.)

9. Henry Chapman (the last of the appointed Judges), presided from April, 1848, until November, 1851, inclusive.

10. Townsend Haines, elected in 1851, served ten years.

11. William Butler, elected in 1861, served to 1879

12. J. Smith Futhey, appointed in 1879, served one year and elected for a term of ten years.

13. William B. Waddell, appointed Additional Law Judge, 1887. Elected same year for ten years.

Thomas S. Butler, appointed Additional Law Judge in 1889 for a few months of unexpired term of Judge Futhey, who died.

14. Joseph Hemphill, elected Judge in 1889 for ten years. William Butler, Jr., appointed in 1897 for unexpired term of Judge Waddell, and elected same year for ten years.

In 1791, when President Washington made a requisition for a military force, to quell the famous Whisky Rebellion, in Western Pennsylvania, Gov-



JUDGE WM. BUTLER, JR.

ernor Mifflin came to West Chester to rally the men of Chester county for the occasion. The Governor, who was good at a "stump" speech, addressed a mass meeting with such effect that the people responded in the most gratifying manner.

Two citizens of the recently established county seat went to work, and each soon mustered a company of volunteers, in the town and vicinity.

Joseph McClellan, then Sheriff of the county, who had been a Captain of Infantry in Wayne's brigade, through a greater portion of the Revolutionary War, was promptly at the head of a Troop of Cavalry, and Aaron Musgrave, a respectable artisan of the village, raised a company of artillery. These companies joined the expedition to the West, under Governor Henry Lee, of Virginia, and faithfully

performed their tour of duty as good citizen soldiers. It is pleasant to add that our ancestral county town, the ancient Upland, was never among the missing at the roll call of patriots. On that occasion, she sent a fine corps of infantry, under the command of Captain William Graham. Twenty years afterward, also, in the War of 1812, she furnished a noble company to Camp Dupont, commanded by Dr. Samuel Anderson.

The State Road, from Philadelphia through West Chester to Strasburg, commonly called the Strasburg road, a valuable thoroughfare, but most injudiciously located over hills, which might have been readily avoided, was authorized on the 11th of April, 1793, and confirmed April 19, 1794.

The Cestrians (as the West Chester people may

much resembling suspended animation. The truth of history, however, and justice to two or three individuals, require the mention of an attempt, near the close of the last century, by three young printers, Jones, Hoff and Derrick, to establish a weekly newspaper, in the borough, under the title of "The West Chester Gazette." A monthly magazine, called "The Literary Museum," was also commenced, by Philip Derrick and Nathan H. Sharpless. But both enterprises were decidedly premature and consequently abortive.

It is supposed that only one edition of the Gazette was ever issued. A copy of it is in the possession of H. Rush Kervey, and for a number of years there has been a standing offer of \$25 for another copy. The publication office was a room in the old bank



MRS. THOMAS BAIRD'S RESIDENCE.

be classically termed), went on very cautiously, for a time, to improve their town, by building some houses in it, and after a few years, they began to aspire to corporate privileges.

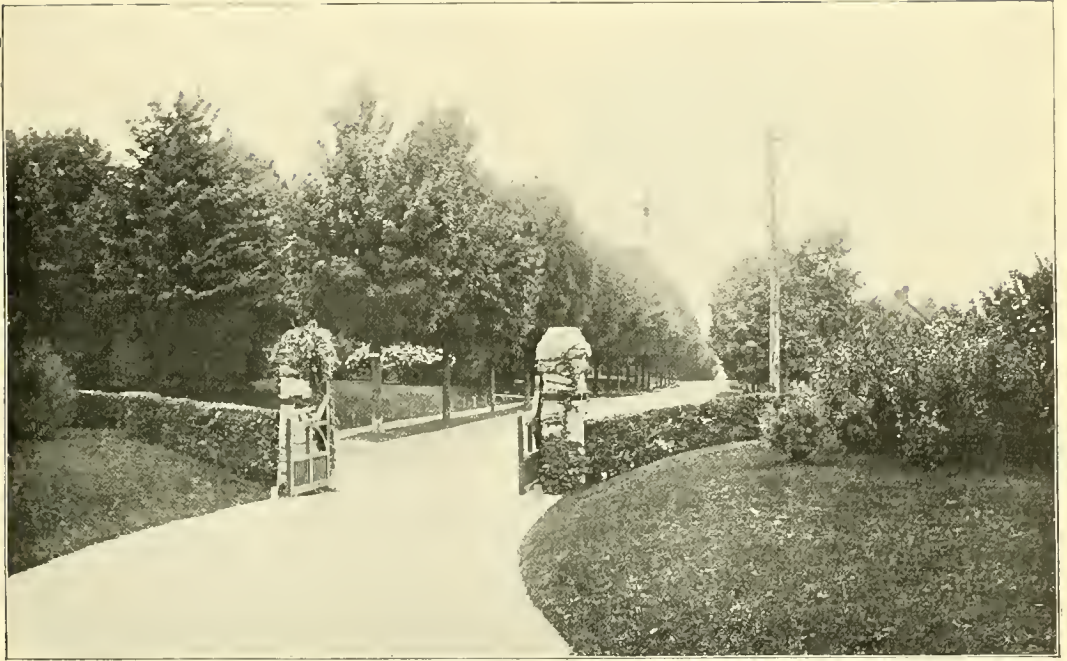
Accordingly, on the 28th of March, 1799, the town of West Chester was erected into a Borough, by an Act of the Legislature. This elevation required Burgesses and Assistants, to manage the municipal affairs.

Having attained to the rank and dignity of a corporation, the acme of Cestrian ambition seems to have been reached, for the nonce; and our goodly borough—like a great man enjoying *otium cum dignitate*—or, rather, like a hibernating animal in Winter, desisted from all further efforts at aggrandizement or progress, and sank into a state of torpor,

building on North High street, now occupied by Charles H. Pennypacker, Esq.

In 1822 the American Republican was brought to West Chester from Downingtown by its owners, William J. Marshall and Samuel Johnson, who conducted it under the firm name of Marshall & Johnson. It has had many owners at different times in its career. In 1878 Walter E. Hall, then the proprietor, started a daily edition, which is still continued, and is published by Horace F. Temple.

The Chester and Delaware Federalist was founded by Dennis Whelen, in 1809. It was bought in 1817 by Charles Miner, who in the following year changed the name to the Village Record. As such it was purchased by Henry S. Evans, in 1834, he publishing it until the time of his death, in 1872.



DRIVEWAY TO MRS. NORRIS' RESIDENCE.

The sons of Mr. Evans continued to publish it until January 1, 1833, when it was sold to S. Edward Pashall. It is now owned by T. L. Eyre. For some years a daily edition was published, but at present it is a weekly.

The Literary Casket, 1830; the Whig, 1834; the American Star, 1839; Independent Journal and Workingman's Advocate, 1841; Anti-Masonic Register, 1829, Pennsylvania Farm Journal, Independent Herald, Chester County Times, Colonization Herald, The Bee, Crystal Fountain, Medical Reporter, Children's Friend, Scattered Seeds, Christian Sunbeam, and Chester County Reporter, now the Legal Intelligencer, have figured in home journalism.

The Chester County Democrat was founded in 1879 by Henry J. Long and George R. Guss, under the firm name of Henry J. Long & Co., and continued thus until September, 1880, when Mr. Guss purchased the interests of Mr. Long and became sole proprietor. The paper ceased at the death of Mr. Guss, in 1898.

September 5, 1843, John Hodgson commenced the publication of the West Chester Herald. At the end of a month it was united with the Jeffersonian, which had been suspended for five months, but was resuscitated, and on the union with the Herald the publication was resumed, under the name of The Jeffersonian and Democratic Herald, the latter name a sub-title, and published by John Hodgson and Asher M. Wright. Mr. Wright's connection with the paper ceased in February, 1845, and John Hodgson was sole proprietor from that time until 1866, when he was succeeded by his son, William H., who is still the owner and publisher. November, 1872, William H. Hodgson began

publication of the Daily Local News—but that story of success is not one which can be told in a paragraph.

It should also, perhaps, be stated that about the period of the early literary attempts, a tri-weekly line of stages, for carrying passengers between West Chester and Philadelphia, was started by John Riley, a somewhat enterprising shop keeper in the village, which in a few years excited an opposition line, and these before the era of railways arrived, had reached the importance of two rival daily lines.

In the year 1799 the apprehension of fire induced the formation of the First West Chester Fire Company, which is still kept up, in good condition, with two other efficient companies, viz: the Good Will, organized in 1833, and the Fame, organized in 1838.

The condition of general torpor, above spoken of, continued for about a dozen years, and the population scarcely increased a hundred persons in all that time.

The following exhibit shows the growth of the borough, including the occupants of the farms within the chartered limits, at the several decennial enumerations, viz:

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|-----------------|-------------|-------|
| Census of 1800, | Population, | 374.  |
| Census of 1810, | Population, | 471.  |
| Census of 1820, | Population, | 553.  |
| Census of 1830, | Population, | 1244. |
| Census of 1840, | Population, | 2152. |
| Census of 1850, | Population, | 3172. |
| Census of 1857, | (estimated) | 4500. |
| Census of 1860, | Population, | 4757. |
| Census of 1870, | Population, | 5630. |
| Census of 1880, | Population, | 7046. |
| Census of 1890, | Population, | 8028. |

At the census of 1790, West Chester was but four years old, a mere embryo "town," by the courtesy of the Legislature, and was only counted as a portion of Goshen township.

In 1802, a small market house was built in the rear of the public offices, but it was seldom occupied, as the market people, in those days, preferred to call on the town's folk at their dwellings. Those early and rarely used shambles were at length superseded, in 1831, by a more capacious establishment, in Market street, one hundred feet in length, which later was extended by two or three similar structures, and finally was removed. The present market house, a large brick building, is on a lot on West Market street, nearly opposite the jail.

In that same year, 1802, a post route was established from Downingtown, by West Chester, to the Brick Meeting House, in Maryland, and a cross mail was carried on it once a week.

Cromwell Pearce was one of the earliest, if not the first Postmaster, in West Chester. The business was then so trifling, it was difficult to find a person in the borough willing to accept the office.

Since that time the business has grown to over \$30,000 per annum, with mails every hour and oftener. There are now 27 in-bound mails and 24 out-bound mails daily, with one out-bound mail on Sunday. Since 1889 the mail to residents of the town has been delivered free of charge, and in Jan-

the office was removed from the Farmers' National Bank Building, at the corner of Market and High streets, to David M. McFarland's building, formerly Cabinet Hall, on South Church street, where it has since remained. Mr. Shields succeeded George A. Mercer, a Republican, who had served through two Presidential terms. The officials since that time have been Ezra Evans, Democrat; John A. Pyle, Democrat; Herbert P. Worth, Republican; Lewis C. Moses, Democrat, and the incumbent, Harry G. Smith, Republican. The Deputy is John P. Woodward. There are five clerks, six carriers in the borough, six carriers who work outside the borough, and one special delivery boy.

West Chester had been the seat of justice nearly twenty years before an execution for capital crime took place there. The following have occurred:

Hannah Miller (black), in 1805, public.

Edward Williams (black), in 1830, public.

Charles Bowman (black), 1834, semi-private in prison yard.

Jabez Boyd, 1845, semi-private in prison yard.

George Pharaoh, 1851, semi-private in prison yard.

George Grant, November 13, 1872.

William E. Udderzook, November 12, 1874.

Jonas Preston, Jr., black, June 6, 1899.

In 1809 a Medical Society was formed in West Chester, of the physicians of the place and vicinity,



JUNCTION OF GAY STREET AND HANNUM AVENUE.

uary, 1899) began a system of free rural delivery, extending in all directions from the town a distance of four to six miles. In 1885, while William Shields, an Everhart Republican, was Postmaster,

but it soon dissolved for lack of members. In 1828, another one was organized, for the county. This, after flourishing a short time, and then suffering suspended animation for a number of years, is



CHESTNUT STREET, WEST FROM MATLACK.

now resuscitated, and promises well. The State Society, in pursuance of an invitation by the County Institution, honored our village by holding its annual meeting among us in May, 1857.

In 1811, a survey was made for a Turnpike Road, from near the twenty-six mile stone, on the Philadelphia and Lancaster turnpike, through West Chester to Wilmington, and a law was obtained authorizing the work, but the Delaware people, who proposed to make the lower six miles, in their own State, refused to make common stock of the entire road; the Pennsylvanians thereupon abandoned the project in disgust. In 1854 a plank road was projected on the same route, and a portion of it actually made, viz., from West Chester to Dilworthtown. Nearly all traces of the improvement have now passed away, and the road is an ordinary highway.

In the summer of 1812 a recruiting station for United States soldiers was opened in the borough by Captain Isaac D. Barnard, of Delaware county—afterward a gallant Major of the army—a popular statesman, and our esteemed fellow citizen of West Chester—to whose memory and services an appropriate monument was erected in Oaklands Cemetery in 1854. He enlisted more than one hundred men at this station.

In 1813 the war began to assume a rather menacing aspect along our borders—both maritime and inland, and some of the prominent citizens of the borough, without distinction of party, started a military company of volunteer infantry, for the defence of altars and firesides. It was styled the American Grays, and the command was given to Titus Taylor, a worthy old gentleman of the vicinage. The company gradually filled with both youth-

ful and middle aged citizens of the village, and adjacent country, and frequently met for drill and discipline.

These exciting occupations continued until the autumn of 1814, when the capitol at Washington being destroyed, and Baltimore threatened, the Governor of the State invited Pennsylvania Volunteers to assemble at Philadelphia for the protection of that city. In pursuance of that call, Captain Taylor issued marching orders to his company, and every man paraded, fully equipped for the service, in West Chester on the morning of September 8th, 1814, when the Grays proceeded direct to the rendezvous at Bush Hill, Philadelphia, and thence to Marcus Hook camp on the Delaware, where they were received into the service of the United States, and faithfully performed their duty until regularly discharged on the 5th of December following.

The commissioned officers of the company, when they marched away from West Chester, were, Titus Taylor, Captain; Isaac Darlington, First Lieutenant; Joseph Pierce, Second Lieutenant, and Dr. William Darlington, Ensign. The Ensign being afterward elected to a Majority in the Second Regiment Pennsylvania Light Infantry, John Duer was chosen Ensign in his stead. Since that time West Chester has taken a leading part in national struggles of a martial nature, but of this more anon.

It is remarkable that our town was almost forty years old before the authorities thought of providing accommodations for pedestrians. In 1825 they first caused sidewalks or footwalks to be paved with bricks, and not until 1829 or 1830 were the two principal streets macadamized and provided with crossings.

Previous to those improvements, the depth

and tenacity of the clay in the streets rendered it expedient and rather customary for the West Chester ladies to take leave of each other on the approach of winter and hibernate in their several dwellings until the arrival of spring.

At present, according to the figures of County Surveyor Walter A. MacDonald, the town has 16 miles of macadamized street and 75 miles of pavements. The total length of all the streets and alleys in town, if placed end to end, is about 65 miles.

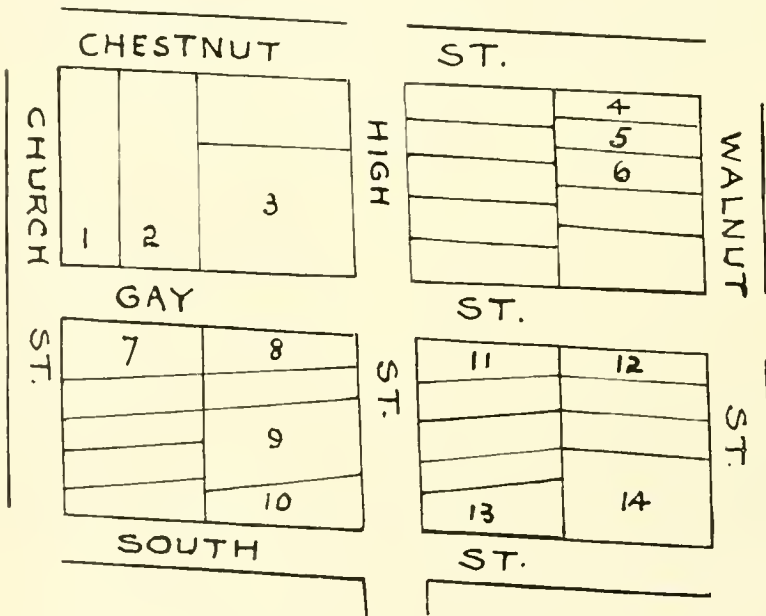
On the 26th day of July, 1825, General Lafayette, who had arrived in the United States as the nation's guest, visited the Brandywine Battle Ground, and was thence escorted by the volunteer soldiery and assembled citizens of Chester county, into the borough of West Chester, where the hero, with his son and accompanying friends, were entertained by a committee (consisting of Colonel Joseph McClellan, Col. Jacob Humphrey, Col. Isaac Wayne, Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller, Col. Cromwell Pearce, General Isaac P. Barnard, General John W. Cunningham, Dr. William Darlington, General Joshua Evans and Dr. Abraham Baily), with a dinner in the grand jury room of the Court House.

day there are numerous sections of the town where a person who would erect a house must purchase two adjacent lots on which to build it.

In 1829, however, several additional streets were opened and new squares formed—from the old Trego or Rankin farm, on the southwestern side of the first town plot, by William Everhart, Esq. People then began to see the advantage of setting private dwellings back from the street, of having side yards, and of planting ornamental shade trees and shrubbery. Until this improvement was introduced, and those trees planted which now render the streets of West Chester so umbrageous and pleasant, our pedestrians found nothing to intercept the glare of the summer sun save here and there, at long intervals, the straggling relie of a decaying Lombardy Poplar.

In the Library at the State Normal School is the original agreement under which West Chester was laid out fifteen years before its incorporation. On the reverse side is the neatly-drawn plot, showing the four squares which made up the whole of the early village.

No better evidence of the growth of West Chester



ORIGINAL PLOT OF WEST CHESTER

The original plan of West Chester, consisted of four contiguous squares with two principal streets crossing in the centre, and yet, simple as it was, with disregard of symmetry and lack of good taste, which characterized the projectors of the plan, and early buildings, neither of the streets crossed at right angles, and consequently none of the so-called squares was rectangular. An oblique policy, strongly redolent of barbarism, seemed to prevail among the primitive Cestrians, and its sinister influence is still perceptible. Even to this

during the century need be desired than in comparing this little map with a modern one shown elsewhere in this book, giving all the streets, the railroad accommodations, and other features of the town.

On the drawing we find the following property owners mentioned under the respective numbers: No. 1, Jonathan Lewis; No. 2, Thomas Hibbin; No. 3, James Gibbons; No. 4, John Rittew; No. 5, Joseph Beaumont; No. 6, Benjamin Matlack; No. 7, U. Trego; No. 8, E. Trego; No. 9, Public Buildings; No. 10, Jesse James; No. 11, John



Patton; No. 12, Public Lot; No. 13, John Patton; No. 14, Charles Dilworth. What is now Market street was then South street.

The agreement itself, as nearly as it can be deciphered at this day, reads as follows:

We the subscribers Promise and agree to have To be laid out at the Cross Roads near the sign of the Turks Head Tavern in the Township of goshen agreeable to the within Enacted plan and we further agree to grant and Confirm To the Commissioners appointed to Build a Court-house and goal one Acre of Land in the Centre of said Plan for the use of the County to Erect the necessary Buildings thereon and we Do further agree that the Remaining Lots agreeable To said Plan shall be Valued By men for that Purpose to Be appointed and that we will convey the said Lots to such Person or Persons that shall Tender and pay the Valuation aforesaid Always Excepting for Each of our Selves thereof Lots out of Each of our Parts as we shall Choose with us our hands this Ninth Day of April 1784.

BENJAMIN TREGO.  
ISAIAH MATLACK.  
JOHN PATTON.

In 1830 a State Road was surveyed and authorized from New Hope, on the River Delaware, through Doylestown, Norristown, West Chester, Unionville and Oxford, to the Maryland line, in a direction toward Baltimore, a distance of 80 miles, a valuable improvement so far as West Chester and Chester county were concerned.

Among the causes which about this time began to impart additional animation and vital energy to

the borough was the construction of the West Chester Railroad, nine miles in length, in the years 1831-2.

The Town Clock, which is still on duty in the tower of the Court House, was purchased in 1835, it having been made by Isaiah Lukens, of Philadelphia.

In 1838 a new County Prison was erected, at the northeast corner of New and Market streets, according to a plan for solitary confinement and labor of convicts, furnished by Thomas U. Walter, Esq. The keepers of the prison, under the new system, have been

Robert Irwin, 1839-1853.  
Christian Peterman, 1853-1874.  
Benjamin F. Haines, 1874-1874.  
Washington Hagerty, 1874-1886.  
William Wells, 1886-1894.  
Joseph James, 1894-.

In the old prison the Sheriff had a license to sell liquor and he also took boarders. Liquor for the prisoners frequently was bought from him.

In this year, also, 1858, a second enlargement of the Town Plot was made, from the Matlack property to the Northern side of the village, adding several squares and streets, and that was soon followed by a similar operation on the eastern side, on the old Turk's Head or Patton estate, and subsequently an outlet for town growth on the northwestern side, was afforded by John Rutter, Esq.

The next improvement was the introduction, by steam power, of good water from the old Bath spring, North of the village, in 1841, and in order to secure a further supply, when needed, additional works were established on Chester Creek, in 1854. In 1898 the new station at Milltown was establish-



COUNTY PRISON.



WALNUT STREET, SOUTH FROM UNION.

ed. At present the town has an abundance of good water, supplied through all the principal streets, by twenty-eight miles of underground mains.

Speaking of the introduction of water, recalls to memory an enterprise which, though not especially flattering to our geological lore, claims passing notice as an historical item. A number of our worthy burghers, appreciating the necessity of an increased water supply as the town grew, bethought them of various devices. They had heard and read somewhat of artesian wells; and without considering or knowing or even caring much about the philosophy of the process—in reference to the stratification or structure of the earth's crust, usually deemed essential to success,—they began, in August, 1825, to bore for water into primitive rocks, on the summit of a dividing ridge or water shed between two streams. The spot selected was near the curbstone on the west side of Church street a few yards south of Gay street. After a perseverance worthy of success, continued through the greater part of a year and a-half, boring through the hardest kind of solid rock to two or three times the depth of a common well, using up or breaking lots of the best tempered augers, and expending upward of \$700, the contributors began to regard the project as rather unpromising, and in the spring of 1827 it was reluctantly abandoned. The site is often pointed out, a few yards north of the West Chester Engine House.

In 1816 the Chester County Horticultural Society was established in West Chester, where its meetings and exhibitions were directed to be held; for the accommodation of which the Society erected a noble hall on North High street, in 1848, it being the second edifice in the United States built expressly for the promotion of horticulture. It is now the Opera House, and is owned by Uriah H. Painter.

As a place of resort the old Horticultural Hall enjoyed popularity for many years. It was there that all the public indoor gatherings of a general nature took place, and there the most desperate political battles which the county has ever seen were fought. It was also the home of the Chester County Teachers' Institute for many years. Lecturers, singers, variety shows and freaks of various kinds have entertained the audiences season after season.

Before the Rebellion there were many meetings in the interest of abolition, and some of these were attended by side issues which were more suggestive of omelots than statesmanship, so warm was popular sentiment on this question. Lueretia Mott, Sojourner Truth, Wendell Phillips, Charles Sumner, Charles Burleigh, Lord Thompson and others were listened to with varying degrees of appreciation, according to the beliefs or prejudices of the hearers. Additional names which may be mentioned on the list of instructors or entertainers are those of Richard A. Proctor, the astronomer; Colonel James Pomeroy Sanford, Anna Dickinson, Robert J. Burdette, Mary A. Livermore, Theodore Tilton, Max O'Reill, Josh Billings, Ex-Governor Hastings, George R. Wendling, Henry Ward Beecher, DeWitt Talmage, Vice-President Henry Wilson, Elizabeth Cady Stanton, Horace Greeley, John Dalzell, A. K. McClure, Robert E. Pattison, John B. Goff, Helen Potter, Daniel Dougherty, Signor Blitz, the Hutelinson family, Buffalo Bill, James Corbett, Theodore Parker, Howell Cobb, Thomas Nast, Will Carleton, Wayne MacVeagh.

In 1891 the Assembly Association was formed, with the late Hon. Robert Emmett Monaghan as President, and the Meconkey Mansion, on North High street was purchased and remodeled at a cost of about \$50,000. There in the present decade many large meetings have been held, the present manager

being Davis Beaumont, and the President of the Association, C. Wesley Talbot, Esq. Among the speakers of prominence who have appeared there may be mentioned Henry Watterson, George W. Bain, Charles Emory Smith, now Postmaster General; William M. Singerly, John Wanamaker, James A. Beaver, a former Governor; Robert E. Pattison, former Governor; George A. Jenks, O. T. Corson, President of the National Teachers' Association; Galusha A. Grow, former Speaker of the House of Representatives; John P. Elkin, then chairman of the Republican State Central Committee; ex-Governor John P. St. John, of Kansas; General O. O. Howard.

On the list of entertainers, in addition to several of those whose names are given previously, are Keller, the magician; Jean Philip Sousa, the march

was torn down during August of the present year.

In 1852 a company was formed for the introduction of gas into West Chester. The company has changed its identity, but the plant still flourishes, and it uses about twelve miles of mains in order to supply its patrons with gas for illumination and for fuel. Thomas P. Worrall is President of the company, and R. Hayes Dutton is the Superintendent.

The Edison Electrical Illuminating Company went into operation about 1884. It now illuminates the borough streets by means of 76 brilliant arc lights and 179 incandescents, and it also supplies many public and private buildings. Captain R. T. Cornwell is President of the Company, with James E. Pyle as Superintendent.

With all these provisions for making life comfort-



WM. P. SHARPLESS' RESIDENCE.

king: Nellie Mayo in "The Princess Bonnie;" Kate Claxton, in "The Two Orphans;" Julia Marlowe in "As You Like It;" Henry E. Dixey in "Patience;" Alexander Salvini, Marian Manola, Denman Thompson, Francis Wilson, Fannie Rice.

In 1856 the Chester County Agricultural Society procured suitable grounds on the south side of the borough, for the display of all kinds of agricultural implements and household products. Fairs were held there until within the present decade, and when they could no longer be conducted with sufficient profit to pay the expenses, the Society went out of business. The grounds are now the property of the State Normal School, and are known as Wayne Field. Floral Hall, the last remaining building,

able and happy, it was fitting that provision should be made for the dead, and accordingly a company was organized in 1852, which procured a tract of some 23 acres adapted to the purpose about a mile and a-half north of the village and established what is known as Oaklands Cemetery. There sleep many of the men and women who were potent in making West Chester what it is.

This was the first movement toward a public cemetery. The Catholics had had a small burying ground about what was then St. Agnes' Chapel, on West Gay street, as early as 1793, but about 1885 removed their burial place to the present location adjoining the public cemetery at Oaklands.

In 1813, the Friends began burying about their



SOUTH HIGH STREET, NORTH FROM NIELDS.

Meeting House on North High street, but now those of that Meeting use the grounds on Rosedale avenue, which were opened in 1884. In 1816 the Methodists buried on Gay street between Church and Darlington, and later, the Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists and Episcopalians buried on the south side of Barnard street, west of New.

In 1851 the Borough Council passed an ordinance providing that no more burials should be made within the area bordered by Chestnut, New, Matlack, and Barnard streets. In 1873 there were no more interments permitted within the Borough limits. The Orthodox Friends established their burial ground at Oaklands, opposite the public cemetery, in 1874. Greenmount, a public cemetery a mile east of the borough, was established in 1855. Chestnut Grove Cemetery, in which the colored people of the town and vicinity are buried, was opened about 1862, and an annex was purchased at Oaklands, also for the colored residents, about 1895.

A proposition was formally made, in 1853, by the Vestry of the Episcopal Church in West Chester, that the several congregations owning lots as burying ground in the square formed by Barnard, Wayne, Union and New streets, should unite in tendering the whole to the borough authorities, at a reasonable price, for the purpose of a public square forever—to be called Wayne Square. That proposed square would have formed an appropriate counterpart to Marshall Square, on the Northern side of the town. The Presbyterian Church promptly and cordially acceded to the contemplated overture, but the others, with a few liberal individual exceptions, demurred, objections were made, opposition was excited, and the project consequently failed.

Some of the early names which were applied to blocks of buildings erected in West Chester have adhered to them long after the builders had ended their life's work. A few of the characteristic names are these: Pottery Row, on West Gay street, between New and Wayne; Portico Row, erected in 1848, by Wm. W. Taylor, on Miner street, west of New; Cabbage Row, by Stephen G. Snare, on Chestnut street, east of the railroad; Thumblatch Row, on Franklin street, between Chestnut and Washington, erected by George Kerr and James H. Naylor, and three Stone Rows, one of which on Market, west of New, was erected in 1845. The second Stone Row is on Hannum Avenue, and the third on Chestnut, west of New.

It was in 1851 that the telegraph wires were first extended to West Chester, and an office was opened. It is still here and in charge of Louis P. Ash, who for a number of years has been the manager for the Western Union Telegraph Company. The location is in the building which was long used as the old railroad depot on East Gay street. In 1851 Miss Emma Hunter, of West Chester, who was probably the first lady telegraph operator in this country or in the world, took charge of the office, whilst still in her teens, and she soon became an expert operator. Miss Hunter was invited in 1869 to visit New York and unveil a monument to Prof. Morse, but illness made it necessary for her to decline the invitation. She is still living as the wife of Thomas T. Smith, and though in delicate health, retains an interest in the affairs of the town.

The second telegraph line to reach West Chester was the Bankers' and Brokers, which arrived in

1871 and found a home in the office of the Jeffersonian, now the Local News building. The company faded out of existence and was succeeded by the American Rapid, which in time gave place to the Postal Telegraph and Cable Company. Shortly afterward this office was removed to the building occupied by William A. Pierce, on North High street. Thomas M. Smith is manager.

It was about 1879 that the private telephones began to grow common about town, and were used by neighbors. Then a year or two later the Delaware & Atlantic Telephone Company made its appearance, establishing an office in what was then the Western Union Telegraph office, on the southern side of East Gay street, where Thomas T. Smith's building stands. It has remained in the same location continuously with the exception of a few months during 1890, while the old building was torn down and a new one erected. At that time the office was removed to the William T. Bell building, one door west. Harry Painter was manager from the first until his death, in February 1893, when he was

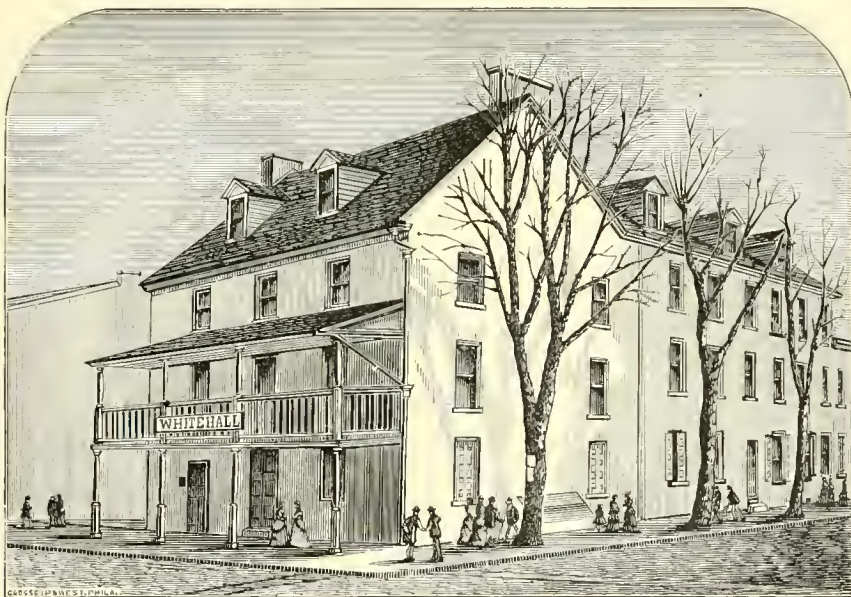
offices of subscribers. The number of 'phones at present is 183, belonging to this company. Lines to Coatesville and Phoenixville have been projected. Thomas Hoopes is President of the Company, and Arthur Hoopes Manager.

The Clay telephones were introduced in town for a time about 1880, but no extensive system was organized.

The sanitary condition of the town is looked after by the Board of Health, which has been active since 1893. Dr. Jesse C. Green is President of the organization, and Dr. Charles E. Woodward is Secretary.

The Board of Trade labors for the financial interests of the town, but in the past its labors have not always met with complete success. The Denney Tag Company, however, is a shining example of what a Board of Trade can do in such a borough as this.

With the beginning of the present decade there was a general awakening along industrial lines in West Chester, and for a time the indications were



THE OLD WHITE HALL.

succeeded by the present manager, W. D. Groff. About two years ago the long-distance system was introduced, an occurrence which made conversation with Philadelphia and other points much easier. At present there are daily talks to Chicago and Boston, and now and then to St. Louis, the communication being carried on with perfect ease. There are 140 instruments in West Chester, and many more in the county, and instant connections if desired, with any point in this section of the country.

On the 15th of November, 1898, the Chester County Telegraph and Telephone Company was ready for business in the Major E. B. Moore building, on West Market street, the town having been wired and many instruments placed in the homes or

that the borough would experience something like a genuine boom, such as had been heard of in the West. Capital which had been invested in Kansas was beginning to look as though it might not be safe, and it was being withdrawn as rapidly as possible, with the result that the bank vaults here were filled with money drawing no interest.

At the same time there were indications that a new Court House would be built, and rumors of new industries such as knitting factories, typewriter factories and other large concerns, were daily in the air. A new Opera House was needed and planned, it seemed, and many new houses were erected.

Such conditions naturally led to the talk of build-

ing railroads, and passengers who had long been traveling to and from Lenape, on the Wilmington and Northern Railroad, by way of the celebrated stage line conducted by S. Alphonso Kirk, clamored for a more rapid means of transportation. Hence the West Chester Street Railway Company was incubated, with Captain R. T. Cornwell as President. A charter was secured, and on the 30th day of August, 1890, the Borough Council, with Marshall S. Way as Chief Burgess, passed an ordinance granting the new company permission to use certain streets of the town and lay tracks and erect poles. The road is now in operation, and cars are running regularly on High, Market and New streets. The extension to Lenape carries many passengers and much freight. The President now is William M. Hayes, Esq., and J. W. Andrews is Superintendent.

In 1898 the Philadelphia and West Chester Traction Company, which had been operating a trolley line as far as Newtown Square, continued its tracks to West Chester, and at the beginning of the present year the new line was opened for travel. It is now running cars to Philadelphia every fifteen minutes. A Merritt Taylor is President.

A general summary of the borough resources shows that there is at present considerable wealth in the town, most of it acquired in a quiet, steady way, and by the whole people rather than any small number. There has been no one man who could ever be said to own the town, but every citizen has had a voice in the management of his own and the public affairs.

The valuation for taxable purposes in the town is \$6,777,165, and the number of taxables is 2956. The amount of school tax raised last year was \$30,497, at a rate of 3 1-2 mills and one mill for building purposes. The borough tax, at the rate of 4 1-2 mills was also \$30,497.

The reader of this incomplete and necessarily disconnected story of West Chester, past and present, cannot but realize from the comparisons presented, that the town, without being a "boomed" one, has kept step with the spirit of the decades which have marked its growth and that all it has got in a quiet way, it has resolutely kept.

It has had no flitting rainbows of promise and no reverses. In a way commensurate with the habits of its well-to-do and steady-going people, it has been content to make haste slowly and the result is that its Centennial finds a delightful place of residence, possessing all the modern methods of comfort and convenience, while morally, educationally and in a sanitary sense, it possesses charms that will continue to invite people who are desirous of making their homes where these features as safeguards to life and happiness can at all times be relied upon.

The town has changed. The last quarter of a century has witnessed many innovations which have served to relegate old time ways and customs to the keeping of the past. In a social way by some, perhaps, this may be regretted. With the advance of modern ideas the ways of people have changed and what was once considered the proper thing in the way of some social relations, have been set aside. This is the inevitable result of growth in population and a corresponding increase of wealth.

West Chester is to-day not the inland town of which Darlington and Futhey wrote so graphically and so well.

By means of increased facilities of travel to Philadelphia and the rapidly extending lines of that city westward, the distance between the two points has been greatly lessened, so that we are to-day brought face to face with the fact that we have suddenly and without formal notice, become suburban to the busy and beautiful City of Penn.

With this realization ours at this Centennial time, it is only natural for us to reach out in the endeavor to scan the future of our delightful borough.

That changes will now come and develop more rapidly than ever before, is certain. This age of activity and progress will not leap over or pass around West Chester. A full share of all that is progressive will be her's to enjoy in proportion to the development of her surroundings and with this forecast we can only hope that with the good things for this people and their successors, there may come nothing but what is for her perpetual advancement.

## WHAT MIGHT HAVE BEEN.

A Plot of Ground on Marshall Street Intended for the Court House.

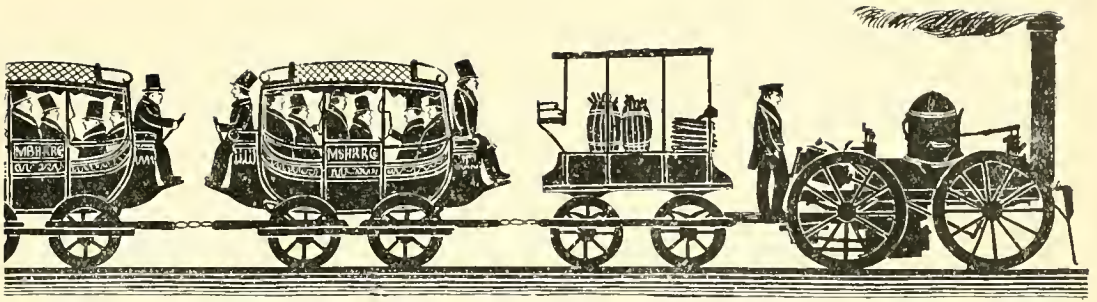
Had the plans of certain parties been matured, in accordance with their desires at an early day in West Chester, the Court House would not be where it now is, but would be half a mile north, and on Marshall street. This is the story:

On June 16th, 1790, Isaiah Matlack and wife conveyed to John Hannum, Isaac Taylor and John Jacobs, Commissioners of Chester County, one acre in trust, nevertheless, and to and for the peculiar use, benefit and service of the inhabitants of the county of Chester, to build or erect any public or necessary building for the accommodation, service or advantage of the inhabitants of said county, or for any other public use or service as shall or may be thought most proper and expedient, and to and for no other use, interest, or purpose whatsoever.

The above acre of land is bounded on the north by Marshall street, and on the west by High street. The old grave yard of the Friends, subsequently occupied the north part of the lot, and the south line is in front of Judge Butler's residence on High street. It is the northwest corner of the four acre lot, owned by the High Street Friends.

January 23d, 1801, Evan Evans, John Menough, Jr., and Titus Taylor, Commissioners of Chester County under authority of an Act of Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, passed the — of March, 1800, sold the above lot of one acre to David Lewis.

David Lewis died insolvent and George Hartman, Sheriff, who was the grandfather of the late Dr. Wm. D. Hartman, sold the lot to Benjamin Miller, who on December 21st, 1811, sold it to Jesse Hoopes, Joseph Taylor and Thomas Hoopes for the purpose of establishing a new place in which to meet for public worship and for the use of the Society of Friends. Thus it came about that the Friends' Meeting House is up on the Hill, where it was first intended the Court House should be.



## THE HISTORY OF THE RAILROAD.

A Chapter Devoted to the Telling of the Early Means of Travel.

The following interesting story of the introduction of railroads in this borough is a portion of a paper prepared some few years ago by our townsman, Alfred Sharpless. Some of its dates may not be correct, he being obliged to rely upon his memory for some of the data, but in the main this may be accepted as reliable:



Alfred Sharpless.

Pittsburg had assumed quite large proportions, considering the means by which it was carried on. A line of four-horse stages was run through Chester county along the Lancaster pike and had become quite profitable to its owners. The freighting was mostly done by wagons owned by farmers in Chester, Lancaster, Berks and Bucks counties. Nearly every farmer owned one of these large wagons, which were strongly built, with high wheels, and calculated to carry about two tons.

### WHEN RAILROADS WERE FIRST THOUGHT OF.

From about 1823 and after there began to be much talk about railroads, whatever they might be. There were none in this country, but some short ones had been built in England, but as yet no one in this country had much knowledge about them. Between 1823 and 1828 several attempts had been made to organize a company to construct a railroad to connect with the canals of the State, and thus form a through freight and passenger line to Pittsburg, but capitalists did not take hold and each fell through.

### THE BIRTH OF THE STATE RAILROAD.

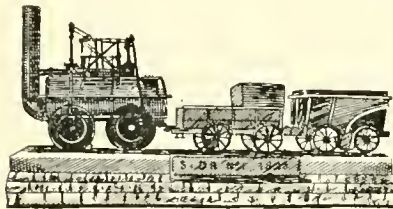
In 1828 the act was passed by the Legislature to "provide for the commencement of a railroad to be constructed at the expense of the State, and, to be styled the 'Pennsylvania Railroad,'" directing that

twenty miles at each end of the line from Philadelphia to Columbia be at once put under construction. Soon after this the prominent people of West Chester began to talk railroad, and about how much more a horse could draw on one than it could on a common dirt road or on a pike. Steam as a motive power on railroads was at that time not thought of in this country, except by a few cranks and dreamers like Stevens, in whom very few had any faith. West Chester was still then but a village of less than 1,000 inhabitants, and the spare capital too small to attempt so costly a work. One reason for the earnest activity of the State in pushing the construction of the State works early in 1828 arose from the alarm created at the completion of the Erie Canal through the State of New York. Our merchants of Philadelphia had been content with the very prosperous business they had secured in the West through wagons, but here was a new competing line of immense carrying capacity that could carry goods at much lower rates and in less time. Then they realized the danger of their Western customers going to the New York market in preference, so there was no time for further delay. The plans decided upon were to construct a railway from Philadelphia to Columbia, in Lancaster county; thence use the canal to Hollidaysburg; from there a railroad over the mountains to Johnstown, from which a canal ran to Pittsburg. It was thought that superior speed over so much railway would enable our people to compete with slower all-canal route.

### CONSTRUCTION OF THE RAILROAD.

The knowledge in regard to railroading at that date absolutely amounted to almost nothing. Major John Wilson, who was a civil engineer in the Government service and had some experience in that line, was appointed engineer in chief and placed in charge of the construction of the State road. His want of knowledge and experience, however, was a heavy cost to the State, as was seen in later years, when he and others came to better understand the true principles of building railroads. He put in many curves and several inclined planes, where it was later discovered there was no necessity for

them. Many experiments were tried to ascertain and secure the best sub-structure for the proposed road. From the head of the inclined plane at Philadelphia to White Hall a heavy stone sill was laid with a flat bar spiked on it, but it failed, and this track was abandoned soon after locomotives came into use on account of the vibration being so destructive of machinery. The same two and one-half by one-half inch rails were tried on wooden sills, but these soon proved too light; the bars would draw loose and curl up at the ends and in one or two cases were driven through the flooring of cars and the sills soon crushed under the weight. The principal part of the road was laid on cubical blocks of stone, measuring about twenty inches or less on each side. These were firmly imbedded in the stone ballast; cast iron chairs were spiked to these stone, having a slot in them for the main rail. The rail used was known as the edge rail, being narrower at the bottom than at the top. When this was laid in the chairs it was keyed fast with iron wedges. These were a constant source of expense, as the keys would rattle out from the vibration as trains passed over them, and men had to be constantly employed in walking the whole road daily to keep the keys in place. This iron rail had to be imported from England at a heavy expense, as no American mills were at that time prepared to make them.



THE FIRST STEVENS LOCOMOTIVE  
BUILT IN AMERICA.

The rail was very light, not more than about forty pounds to the yard, and of poor quality, so that it crushed down quickly as soon as locomotives were brought into use.

The Columbia Railroad was finished into the city of Philadelphia in 1833, entering it at Vine street, from which point a city track laid on stone sills was extended down Broad, Market and Third streets to the foot of Dock.

#### FAREWELL TO THE CONESTOGAS.

As soon as the Columbia road was opened for travel the through line stages on the Lancaster pike were taken off and horses with drivers were transferred to the railroad. The cars first brought into use for passenger travel were four wheeled, the body similar to those of the Troy coaches, but much larger. The body was swung on two heavy straps attached to wooden springs at each end of the truck somewhat similar to those in common use on chairs and gigs of that time. The cars were very light in comparison to the street cars of the present day. It was no common thing for a car to jump off the track, in which case the passengers would be asked to get out and help the conductor lift it on again, which they always cheerfully did. The cars would carry from fifteen to twenty per-

sons, giving each one a comfortable seat either inside or on top with the driver.

It was probably in 1831 when the writer, then a small boy, first gained any information, not to say knowledge, of railroading, and that was of a very misty character.

#### "AIR LINE" ROUTE TO NEW YORK.

One day I noticed a small body of strange gentlemen, say half a dozen standing in the meadow below the old farm house on Dean street, now occupied by A. D. Sharples, then my home. With all of the natural curiosity, as well as impudence, of the average small boy, I walked down to the party to try and learn what was up. From their conversation I soon gathered that they were taking a preliminary view of a route with a purpose looking towards constructing a railroad from Baltimore to New York. They had come from the direction of Lenape and it was agreed that to cross the Wilmington road just south of where the public school now stands, pass around the eastern limits of the town and thence on to some point on the south valley hills would be feasible. I believe that a survey was made of this route, but the valley hills were thought to be an obstruction that could not be overcome. Some years later the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore Railroad was laid up the valley of the Delaware below the highlands bordering the mouths of the numerous creeks running through Chester and Delaware counties, thus avoiding the cost of heavy cutting and filling or high bridges that a more direct route would have made necessary. I do not know when the P., W. & B. Railroad was built, but I do know that in 1831, and for some time after the principal route of travel between Philadelphia and Baltimore was by steamboat to New Castle, Delaware, thence by rail to Frenchtown and from there to Baltimore by steamboat.

#### WEST CHESTER'S FIRST RAILROAD.

During the year 1830 there had been much talk amongst the citizens of West Chester as to the feasibility and desirability of constructing a railroad to connect with the Columbia road, then fairly under way, in course of construction, at the most convenient point that could be reached from West Chester. It was argued that West Chester must not be left behind in the great race of progress now going on. And then again great profit, it was not doubted, would accrue from the venture to all stockholders who were fortunate enough to get in on the ground floor.

A public meeting was called December 11th, 1830, at the Turk's Head Hotel, with Judge Isaac Darlington in the chair, and P. Frazer Smith as Secretary. A committee was appointed to confer with Major John Wilson and advise with him upon the matter. Mr. Wilson, with the consent of the Canal Commissioners, sent a corps of engineers to make a preliminary survey and himself made an estimate of the probable cost. A practicable route having been laid out the committee appointed at the first meeting reported the fact to a second meeting held December 22d, and a general town meeting was called for December 24th to take further action. Ziba Pyle, Esq., was called to the chair and P. Frazer Smith appointed Secretary. Dr. Wm. Darlington, from the committee, made a report which



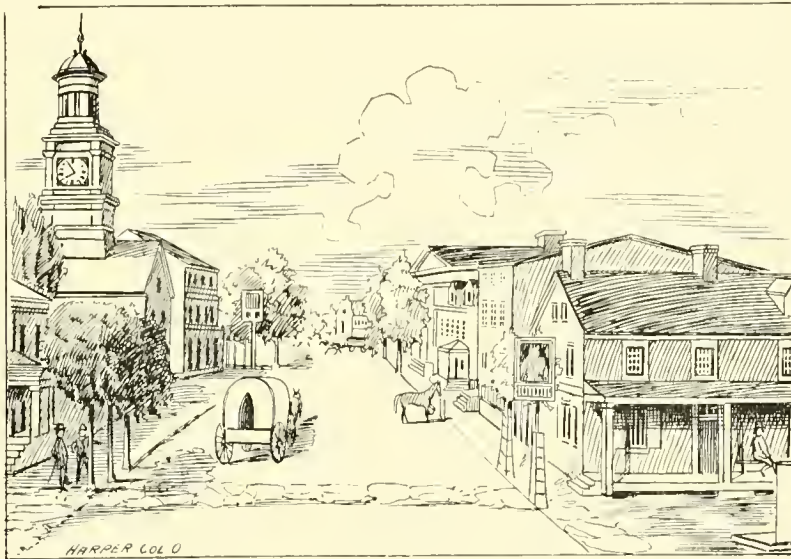
was accepted, and the following resolution passed unanimously:

1st. Resolved, That it is expedient to construct a railway from the borough of West Chester to intersect the Pennsylvania Railway at such point as shall be found most eligible.

2d. Resolved, That Dr. William Darlington, Wm. H. Dillingham, Thomas Williamson, Ezra Cope, David Townsend, Thomas S. Bell and John H. Bradley, Esq., be a committee whose duty it shall be to take the necessary steps to obtain a law authorizing the incorporation of a company to construct the said railway.

January 5th, 1831, Major Wilson reports that he has located a satisfactory route and submits an estimate of the same, amounting to \$88,021.29. The charter was obtained July 18th, 1831, with all of the privileges and concessions asked for by the petitioners. This was, I think, the first railroad charter granted by the State to be carried into effect, and was probably more liberal than any that has

patent to the company. The first election of directors was held in West Chester at the public house of Sampson Babb, when the following persons were elected: Dr. William Darlington, Ziba Pyle, William Williamson, S. C. Jefferis, Jonathan Jones, Jos. Hemphill and Elihu Chauncy, Esq. The directors elected met on the 31st day of May, 1831, at which meeting Major John Wilson was appointed chief engineer, with John P. Bailey to assist him, each at a salary of one thousand dollars. On May 26th contracts for grading were let in mile sections, and the work was earnestly pushed to completion. At a meeting of the board held September 18th, 1832, it was announced that John P. Bailey had completed the entire construction of the road in the short space of sixteen months. The track laid at this time was a flat iron bar about two and a-half inches by half an inch, spiked on yellow pine string pieces laid on chestnut cross ties, and the road



THE TURK'S HEAD, ABOUT 1825.

been since enacted, the statesmen at Harrisburg at that time all being so devoid of knowledge on railroad matters that they did not realize what they were granting, nor the future effects of the same.

#### SUBSCRIPTION BOOKS OPENED.

In pursuance of the purpose of this act the Commissioners advertised that the books for subscriptions of stock would be opened at the Merchants' Coffee House, in Philadelphia, at the Paoli Tavern, and at the Washington House, in West Chester, on Tuesday, the 22d of March, 1831. On that day the books were opened at the points stated, and a grand rush was made to subscribe for shares of stock; men fought for places in line to secure it before all should be taken and in a few minutes more than double the amount of stock authorized had been subscribed for, and later was reduced by the Commissioners as provided for by the charter. On the 28th day of March the Governor issued letters

ballasted between rails, making a good pathway for horses.

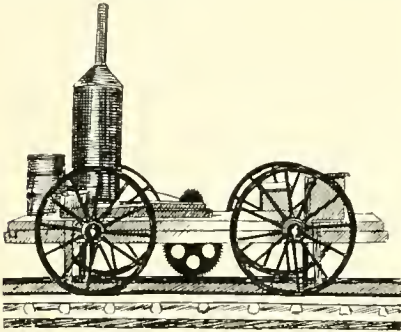
#### THE FIRST SUPERINTENDENT.

J. Lacey Darlington was appointed Superintendent of the road at a salary of one dollar a day when employed in the service of the company, and Hickman James was appointed general agent at \$300 per year. At the second annual meeting of the board, held January 23d, 1833, the directors announced that the road was opened in form on the 13th day of September, 1832, and horses placed on the road performing partial trips for the accommodation and entertainment of friends and patrons of the enterprise. On the 18th day of October, 1833, the Canal Commissioners had completed a line of rails to the head of the inclined planes, and the West Chester Company's cars were at once run to that point, from whence passengers were conveyed into the city in stages and omnibuses, a drive

of about four miles down the west side of the Schuylkill. About this time I was treated to my first experience in railroading. It had been promised some days previous and it was an event to be looked forward to with expectations in those days, and later the sights and incidents of that trip were a theme for discussion for many days with my school fellows who had never traveled so far or seen such strange sights.

#### THE FIRST RIDE TO PHILADELPHIA.

The trip was a wonderfully quick one, not consuming more than three hours in arriving at the head of the inclined planes. The planes were not yet ready to pass cars nor was the bridge across



FIRST LOCOMOTIVE BROUGHT TO AMERICA.

the Schuylkill at their foot yet completed, but a large number of mechanics were at work on both. Instead of taking the omnibus with other passengers into the city, we walked down the planes to examine their construction and to see how far the big bridge had advanced towards completion.

From the foot of the planes we walked down the towpath of the Schuylkill Canal to Fairmount and crossing the one arch bridge took an omnibus into the city. This bridge was burned in 1838 or 1839, and later replaced by a wire bridge, probably the first one of the kind erected in this country.

#### THE NOVEL SIGHTS FOR A COUNTRY BOY.

The rows of oil lamps along the streets, the watch boxes at street corners and the cry of "All's well and a cloudy morning," of the Charleys were sights and noises to attract the eyes and ears of a country lad who had never been accustomed to anything more brilliant than a tallow dip in a tin lantern to guide his steps after nightfall. When the road from West Chester to Intersection (now Malvern) was finished the total cost, covering equipments and right of way, was stated at \$92,209.06, which was a few dollars less than the original estimates. This is said to be the only railroad ever constructed for less than the estimated cost. Truly engineering was in its innocency as well as infancy at that time.

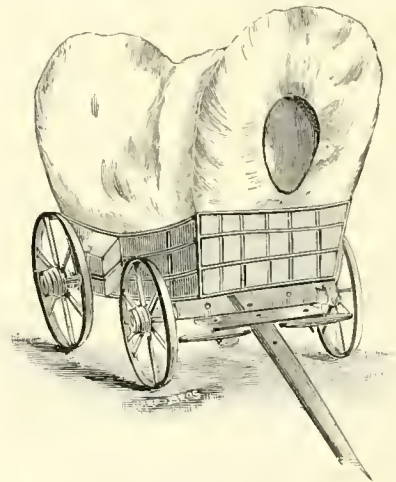
#### THE FIRST DIVIDEND DECLARED.

On January 1st, 1834, the company declared their first dividend of three per cent., not, however, it is supposed, out of their earnings, but the stockholders were made happy with prospects for the

future. By this time the Columbia road had been finished into the city of Philadelphia, entering at Broad and Vine streets. In 1834 it was deemed desirable to have a connecting road from Kirkland Station across to Whiteland as a means of reaching the limestone and marble quarries and shortening the distance to Columbia, whence lumber was obtained. The capital stock was ordered to be increased by the addition of ten thousand dollars and the road built. In the year 1835 marble was brought by way of this track from the Thomas quarry for the construction of the front of the old Chester County Bank, and the comparatively small amount of lumber needed in West Chester came by this route for a time. This road was but very little used and in a few years went to decay for want of repairs, and proved an almost total loss to the company. During the year 1835 a lot was purchased on Broad street, Philadelphia, south of Race, on which was built a hotel called the West Chester House, with tracks for the company's passenger cars under parts of the same. In July, 1836, Wm. P. Sharpless was appointed Superintendent of the road and property, to reside in Philadelphia, from whence it was thought a better supervision could be had of the property. Wm. P. Sharpless, in company with others, soon after purchased the adjoining lots on the southeast corner of Broad and Race streets, and thereon built a large warehouse suitable for a forwarding and commission house, where he entered into that business and from this house the freighting to West Chester was principally done for several years.

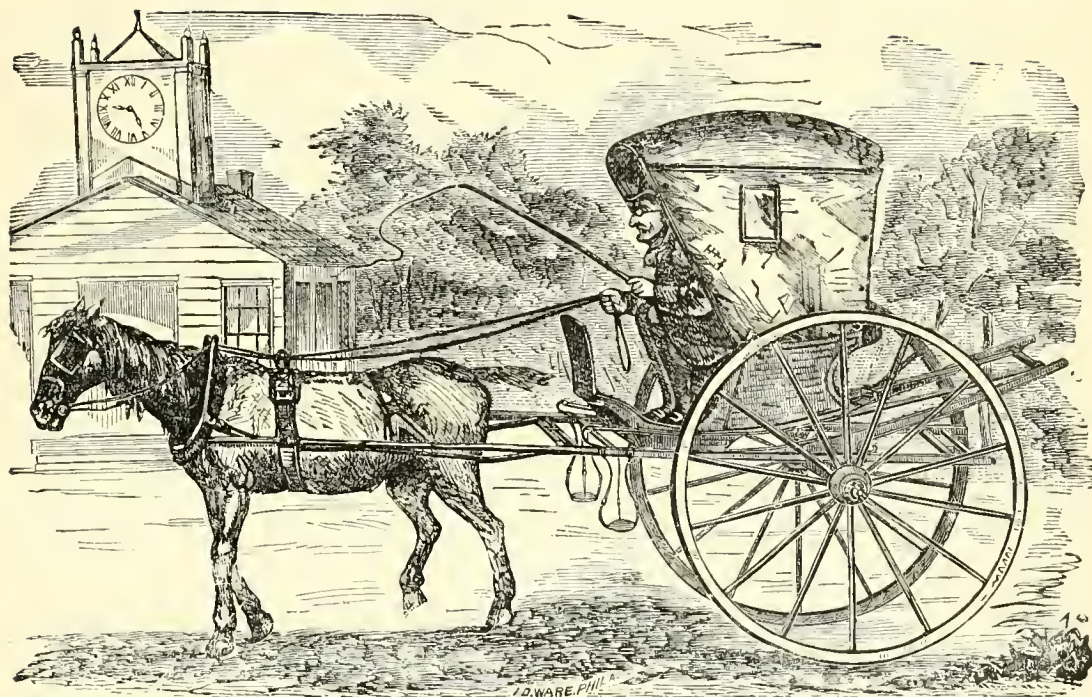
#### RAILROAD BUILDING SUBSIDES.

At this time the railroad boom that had so excited the whole country began to subside. The times became very hard and credit gave way in every direction. Banks and merchants who had been doing a wild business and extending credit without



OLD CONESTOGA WAGON.

limit failed in all directions. The United States Bank went down under the pressure, carrying nearly every other bank in the country with it. None was able to meet its liabilities, none could pay its notes in specie.



THE OLD ONE-HORSE SHAY.

#### HAARD TIMES CAME AGAIN.

The Chester County Bank lost half its capital in the general crash, and many others lost all and went out of existence. The West Chester Railroad Company was heavily in debt and could not meet its interest and charges. The times continued extremely hard from this time till the passage of the tariff of 1842 gave relief. Travel on all railroads was very light, and to meet expenses the fare between Philadelphia and West Chester was raised from one dollar to a dollar and twenty-five cents for the single trip. No dividends, of course, were being paid, and earnest efforts were being made to sell portions of the mortgaged property.

#### STOCKHOLDERS CLAMORING FOR DIVIDENDS.

In 1839 the condition of the West Chester road had become quite serious, and although a considerable concession had been obtained from the State Legislature in the way of remission of tolls on the Columbia road, still expenses continued to press the company, and its property was constantly needing repairs, with insufficient income to make them. At the same time, stockholders were clamoring for the dividends promised them when the road was started. The directors were very much discouraged. Much unjust censure was cast upon them for failing to make the road pay by men totally ignorant of the first principles of railroading, and yet thought they knew it all.

In the winter of 1839 the writer left school and went to Philadelphia, where he at once commenced to take an active interest in railroading, being more

or less connected with the management of the West Chester road, and familiar with its working from that time on. In 1841 the company was so pressed for funds that they sold out their horses and made a contract with J. H. Jones and H. J. Brooke to furnish teams with drivers to haul the passenger cars. Wm. P. Sharpless sent in his resignation as Superintendent and under the determination of the directors to reduce expenses other officers were discharged, the directors assuming their duties without any charge for services. The next annual report showed a reduction of \$2,400 in expenses, but unfortunately the same report showed a falling off in the yearly income of \$2,900. In 1842 the condition of the tracks had become so bad that it was deemed necessary to have them relaid, and a committee was authorized to purchase six hundred tons of T rails for that purpose. Forty tons were bought at thirty dollars per ton, and then the funds and credit of the company failed and no more iron could be obtained.

#### A NEW SYSTEM ADOPTED.

At the annual meeting held January 15th, 1844, Joseph J. Lewis, Isaac Thomas, Philip Sharpless, Edward Hoopes, James Martin, George Campbell and Wm. M. Spencer were elected directors. Philip Sharpless and Dr. Isaac Thomas were appointed on the Executive Committee, and at once both of them took an active interest in the affairs of the company, determining to lift it out of difficulties, if possible. Up to this time the road had been principally under the control of professional men, most of them prominent and able in their specialty, but

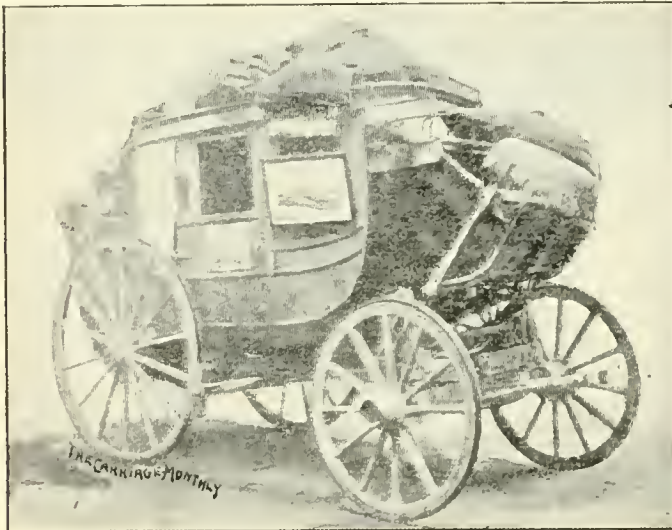
entirely ignorant of railway management, and having but little time to devote to study of the same. Railroadng was still in its infancy, and all officers of the several roads were gaining knowledge and experience at a heavy cost to their employers.

#### NO RAILROAD MAKING MONEY.

The stock in every company had greatly depreciated and not one in the country had been paying expenses. Norristown Railroad was selling at \$1. In this year the writer bought one hundred shares of the West Chester road at a dollar per share, the par value of which was \$50. The visible property of the company had been so encumbered by debt that there was no longer any value in it, and only the franchise of very doubtful value remained, so that stockholders quit attending called meetings or to take much interest in its affairs. Amidst all of their troubles a determined attempt was made by the Board of Canal Commissioners to drive the company from their road by increasing their tolls.

They found that the horse cars interfered with the running of their locomotives, were often in the way, and were proclaimed to be a nuisance. But public opinion was not yet prepared for this

and the fare to Philadelphia was reduced to seventy-five cents. Efforts had been made at various times to induce the State authorities to furnish steam power to haul the company's cars. On January 31st, 1844, the Executive Committee report that they have appointed Samuel M. Painter Superintendent, and that an agreement had been made with the Canal Commissioners to haul the company cars from the head of the inclined planes to Interseccion at the rate of fifteen dollars per day for each train. This agreement went into operation May 25th, 1844, when two second-hand eight-wheeled passenger cars were bought for the service. Later two new passenger cars were ordered built by the W. C. Allison Company. These had a compartment underneath the body of the cars in which baggage was carried, to save the wheel toll on a baggage car, when used, and were for a time the best equipped and most highly ornamented cars on the road. They were known as 'possum bellied cars, and were adopted by other passenger companies. Previous to this only horse cars had been used. Horses were to be still used from the inclined planes into the city and on the West Chester branch. In the latter part of 1844 the Executive Committee recommended the reconstruction of the road upon the same plans as originally built, that was, with chestnut cross ties and yellow pine sills, with the old flat bar rail at an estimated cost of \$15,000, and arrangements were at once made to carry out the plans as early next spring as possible. By the time this renewal had been accomplished business on the road had improved, and prospects were looking brighter for the old company. May 26th, 1845, the Canal Commissioners agreed to haul the company's trains between the inclined planes and West Chester for the sum of six thousand dollars annually. Horses were continued to haul the cars into the city from the foot of the planes. P. P. Sharpless reported the completion of the contracts for relaying from Junction to West Chester January 19th, 1846. P. P. Sharpless declined a re-election, his private affairs requiring more of his personal attention.



ANCIENT STAGE COACH.

and our charter rights stood in the way, as in it the company had privileges of which they could not be dispossessed by any authority outside of the company.

#### THE RAILROAD ALL BUT STOPPED.

At a meeting of stockholders August 23d, 1843, it was resolved that because of exorbitant charges for tolls that the income would not meet the running expenses of the road, and that if the Directors should not be able to secure a reasonable reduction of the same within three months the Directors be authorized to suspend the running of all cars and call a meeting of the stockholders to consult upon the best means of disposing of all the company's property and wind up its affairs. The demands for a reduction of tolls was in a few weeks conceded,

#### WEST CHESTER'S FIRST TURNTABLE.

This year a turntable was put in at West Chester. The fare having been raised to \$1, was again reduced to 75 cents between Philadelphia and West Chester and freights were also reduced. The branch road from Kirkland to Oakland was also this year abandoned, the iron rails taken up and sold. April 28th, 1846, Philip D. Thomas was appointed Superintendent. Although the locomotives used at this time were the lightest on the road, and scarcely able to make time with two or three cars attached, it was soon found they were too heavy for the lightly ironed structure, and as the road had by this time begun to show some considerable profit over and above expenses, a few of those officers and stockholders best informed upon the situation

advised the substitution of a heavy T rail at as early a date as possible. By authority of the stockholders the property of the company had a further mortgage of fifteen thousand dollars put upon it to secure funds for this purpose. P. P. Sharpless was again elected a Director. The Directors and officers of the road with some friends raised the money to purchase new rails for the road and it was again rebuilt more permanently in 1847. This debt was paid off out of the profits of the road in less than two years.

#### A SECOND ROAD CONCEIVED.

New parties, composed largely of professional men in West Chester, some enemies of the old West Chester road, and some able business men of Delaware county who wished to see their section opened up, determined to make a trial survey of a route through the southern end of Delaware county.

agreement was entered into by the two companies April 6th, 1859, by which the Pennsylvania Company took possession agreeing to run trains on satisfactory terms for five years.

It was suggested that the old company would be willing to sell out their road and charter privileges to the Pennsylvania Company on very reasonable terms.

The new road via Media, however, concluded they would own the "old road" and so made an offer for it.

Terms were soon agreed upon that were satisfactory to both parties, and a transfer was made without further consultation with the Pennsylvania people, and the old road passed into the possession of the Media Company.

From time to time at the annual meetings changes were made in the Directory of the old West Chester



MODERN AUTOMOBILE.

A public meeting was called and a company was organized to build what was called the "West Chester and Philadelphia Railroad."

After a great struggle financially the West Chester Direct succeeded in getting a single track through to Glen Mills and there for a time was stranded. The road was bonded for all it was worth. West Chester by a popular vote had subscribed for \$20,000 worth of stock. This stock was sold for \$4,000 a few years later, and the original stockholders who sold at this time came out in about the same ratio of loss. Some of the original stock was sold as low as \$1 per share. A final effort brought this road through to West Chester in 1858, a little over ten years from the time its charter had been obtained.

An offer having been made the Pennsylvania Company for a lease of the old West Chester road an

Railroad Company and many eminent men at different times served the company. Amongst those now remembered were David Townseud, Jonathan Valentine, Eusebius Townsend, Jonathan Valentine, John R. Thomas, W. H. Dillingham, John Tweddle, General Joshua Evans, Joseph Hemphill, Esq., Dr. Isaac Thomas, Philip P. Sharpless, Edward Hoopes, Anthony Bolmer, Joseph J. Lewis and P. F. Smith, of West Chester; Eli K. Price, Thomas Kimber, James Martin, Algernon S. Hoberts, Coleman Fisher, Wm. M. Spence, Dr. M. C. Shallcross, George Campbell and Joseph B. Townsend, of Philadelphia.

#### SOME OF THE EARLY DRIVERS.

Of the earliest drivers on the old West Chester road I only now remember Jeff. Cave and George Chio, famous old stage drivers. The teams, two

horses, were always driven tandem except on the Schuylkill level. The names of conductors remembered are Wm. H. Price, Davis Gill, R. Maris Frame, George Zell, David Zell, Jonathan Marshall and John Essig. Among the old conductors on the Columbia road, John Weiler, Cap. Hambright, Chip. Parsons and Ned Low are well remembered as favorites. J. Bayard Jefferis and Ziba Wollerton served as clerks for a long time in the West Chester office of the old company, and Peter Burton, a colored man, with his little black horse and light wagon, did all of the express business of the town.

## FIRST STREET RAILROAD.

Tracks Laid on West Gay Street Almost Seventy Years Ago.

Within the past few months West Chester has been stirred with interest over the question of a street railway on West Gay street and in the near future it may be a customary thing to see electric cars whizzing by the stores and houses which have been standing for generations on this, one of the oldest streets in the town. Some of the present generation may not know that a street car ran on West Gay street once, in the days when their grandparents were boys and girls.

This is how it happened: About the year 1828, William Everhart came to West Chester and purchased the Wollerton farm, a tract of land extending from Market street as far south as Union, and west to Bradford avenue. Where the farm house stood Mr. Everhart erected the Mansion House Hotel and continuing his scheme for improving that part of the town, built the row of stores on the block west.

At that time the railroad, on which the cars were drawn by horses, all the way from Philadelphia,

ran into town on Matlack street and stopped at the "head of the grade," where a small frame station had been built. Mr. Everhart decided that it would be a far better thing for the town if the line were extended so that the terminal might be at his new hotel on the corner of Market and Church streets.

Using his influence with the company the plan was agreed to and the streets graded so that the cars might be run in Chestnut street to Church and down Church to Market.

The enterprise progressed so far as to have the materials for the road piled up along these streets, but there came a hitch of some sort and the work was at a stand still.

Affairs were in this condition on Hallow-E'en. The boys of that day were as eager as those of to-day for some new form of fun and before morning a brilliant scheme had been conceived and executed. The ties and rails from Church street were carried over and laid on Gay street and a car by some means was gotten upon them. This car was run up and down the improvised track as far west as the West Chester House and the boys, no doubt, had a glorious time of it.

That was the first and last night of railroading on Gay street, however.

Even the scheme to land passengers at Market and Church streets fell through, although the newly made grade was used so far as to run the cars from the "head of the grade" down to Gay street and into freight and passenger stations which were built where are now the places of business of Louis Ash and Mrs. Kugel.

Could any of the revelers of that Hallow-E'en of "Auld Lang Syne" wake to life again on the day the first cars are run over the contemplated line on Gay street, they would see some wonderful changes and would feel that the "boys" of to-day had far exceeded them in ingenuity and enterprise.

There are traditions which connect this early railroad with Enos Smedley's pottery, on West Gay street, but one of the spectators of the midnight frolic declares that the railroad had nothing whatever to do with the pottery.





## “THE PEOPLE’S COLLEGES.”

What the Public Schools of West Chester Have Been and What They Are To-Day.



The one distinctive feature, which has made West Chester known and honored in this section of the State and far away from home, is her educational system. So thoroughly has the fame of our borough as a centre of intelligence been recognized, that young people from many distant

lands are sent here to receive their training. The loyalty of our home citizens has been fully tested and never found wanting.

From the early days when a handful of children assembled at the knee of some Friendly teacher, who led them through the rudiments, to these times when any young man or woman may prepare for the University or take the equivalents of a college course, there has been a steady and wholesome growth.

It is fitting, then, that the scene shall be reviewed, that the story of the rise and progress of the schools in town shall be told, even though it must be in brief.

The earliest school on record was located in a log house on the northwest corner of Gay and High streets, about 1760, but of this very little is known.

### THE OLD STONE SCHOOL HOUSE.

The Society of Friends was the first to establish schools within the present limits of Chester county, wrote Philip P. Sharpless, in a paper read at one of the meetings nearly a decade ago. The Yearly Meeting from time to time gave much earnest and

practical advice in relation to settlements of schools, and in 1778 advised that in the compass of each monthly meeting, ground should be provided sufficient for a garden, orchard, grass for a cow, etc., for the use of the teachers.

The three meetings, Birmingham, Goshen and Bradford, it is believed, all complied with the advice.

The Friends living at or near Goshen streets, at an equal distance from each of these meetings, were too far from either of them to receive much benefit from the schools. For their own relief they united in 1789, and purchased or obtained by gift, four acres of land in East Bradford, on the Goshen Street road, about one-fourth of a mile west of the West Goshen line. Two of these acres are on the south side of the road and two on the north; the latter does not appear to have ever been used for school purposes, and the deed, which was never recorded, was eventually handed back to those who had formerly owned the land, or their successors. On the South lot they built a house of stone. It was as near central as it could well be to make it convenient for those who wished to send their children to it. There is a spring of water on it, which furnished the children with drink. The old walls of this building are yet standing; everything else that was about it has been carried away or gone to decay. This house since my memory has gone by the name of “The Old Stone School House.”

It was under the care of a committee of Birmingham Monthly Meeting in 1815, who continued to re-

The portraits at the head of this page are those of Addison L. Jones, Supt. of Borough School, Miss Anna M. McLearn, Principal of High St. Building, Rev. Jos. S. Evans, President of School Board, Miss Fannie C. Watson, Principal of Model School and Joseph Miller, Principal of Gay Street Building.

# West Chester Public School Buildings



Gary St. School



High St. School



Church St. School

LEWIS & PHILA



port its condition until 1824, when the reports ceased, and from that time the Meeting paid no further attention to it.

Since the foregoing sketch was written, the walls have been torn down, and only the foundations remain. They are on the north side of the Strasburg road, and a short distance east of the house in which Samuel Howell resides. The Goshen Street Road has been abandoned.

March 14th, 1850, a special act was passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature, authorizing James Taylor and Thomas Hoopes, Trustees, to sell the land, consisting of two acres and forty perches, and divide the proceeds between the two meetings of Friends in West Chester. The property brought \$272.25, at auction.

### EARLY PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

An idea of the inception of the public school in West Chester and the attitude of the citizens toward it, may be gained from the following article, which was written in 1887 by Philip P. Sharples, who for several years was a member of the Board and is the only survivor of the six who led the way to public education in the borough:

In giving the recollections of this school, I may state that the first book of minutes of the Board of Directors has long since been lost. During the time of William E. Moore as a Director an effort was made to find them, without success. Hence memory has been depended upon to furnish the few facts that follow, and possibly they may not be strictly correct in some instances.

The school law was not adopted by all of the Chester county districts until 1836; the schools of West Chester were first opened in the spring of 1837. They were not at first received by the taxpayers with much favor, and suitable Directors were not always easily obtainable.

In 1839 there were nine schools in the district, taught by nine teachers, in as many different houses, none of which belonged to the town. The teachers underwent but little examination by the Directors. No County Superintendents were elected until after the act of 1854 was passed. It was sufficient that they had taught school before the adoption of the law and were willing to do so again.

The oversight of the three largest schools, was assigned to three of the Directors—one to each, whilst the six remaining schools were confided to the other directors, each taking two. Directors seldom visited other schools or interfered in the management of those not under their especial care.

The schools were conducted very much as they had been previous to the passage of the school law, except that the teachers were responsible to the Directors, who collected the tax and paid them a fixed salary.

Each child or its parent was permitted to select the school they would prefer to attend, and the Director having charge gave the desired permit. Under these circumstances the schools were not so good as under the old system, as the Directors paid but little attention to them, and the teachers were relieved of much of their former responsibility to patrons.

The only rooms occupied by the public schools at that time, and now remembered, were one in the old Zion African Church, back of Everhart's Grove,

which was taught by a colored man named Wolf; one under the present Post Office, taught by William H. Price; one back of the old Methodist Meeting House, on West Gay street, under the care of Cheyney Nields as teacher, and one on the northwest corner of Church and Chestnut streets, upstairs in the old meeting house, taught by Hannah M. Taylor.

In the latter part of the year 1839, Dr. Wilmer Worthington and Philip P. Sharples were appointed a committee to ascertain if a suitable lot could be purchased for the purpose of erecting a new building thereon, so that the schools might be consolidated and more properly guarded.

After examining several lots, it was finally concluded to recommend the one on Barnard street, belonging to William Everhart, as the best that was offered for the purpose, taking into consideration its central location and the price at which it could be obtained.

The Directors adopted the report of the committee, and the lot was purchased at the price of three hundred and sixty-four dollars.

The lot was about ninety-two feet in front on Barnard street and one hundred and ten feet in depth to the line of what was then Patton's orchard, the cost being a little less than four dollars per foot. The four foot alley running out to Church street was purchased subsequently.

The deed for the lot, dated 1st-mo. 22d, 1840, is made by William Everhart and wife to Joseph J. Lewis (who was then President of the Board of Directors), Nimrod Strickland, U. V. Pennypacker, Robert Irwin, Angus McKay and Philip P. Sharples, Directors of the common schools of West Chester.

The house was not built until 1841, by which time Nathan Lewis had been elected a Director in place of one of the retiring members. Several plans for the building were offered, but that of Nathan Lewis was adopted, and the bid of John T. Haines, of about twenty-nine hundred dollars, for its erection, was accepted.

The addition to the rear of the house was made afterwards.

At what time the house was finished and when the school was first opened are not now recollected.

The schools were vacated during the year in which the building was being erected, and the school tax applied to the payment of the cost of erecting the same. This not proving sufficient to clear the board of all debt, after a short session in the following year, the schools were again vacated until funds sufficient to wipe out all indebtedness had accumulated in the treasury.

### EARLY MANAGEMENT.

In arranging the schools, the larger and more advanced pupils occupied the upper rooms, and were under the care of Elijah W. Beans, who was paid a salary of seven hundred dollars per annum, with Ellen Stiles to assist him, at a salary of two hundred dollars.

Zachariah Porter succeeded Professor Beans for a term, when the late Oliver W. Davis was elected Superintendent of the Borough Schools. He retained the office for but a short time. Ziba C. Wollerton then took charge of the upper rooms until a successor to Prof. Davis was appointed in the per-

son of Sanford Culver, who remained at school very acceptably for several years.

Hannah M. Taylor succeeded Ellen Stiles as assistant in the boys' room, and continued under Professors Beans, Porter, Davis and Wollerton.

The advanced girls' room in the second story was opened by Palmyra C. Evans at a salary of two hundred dollars. She did not continue long in the service of the Directors, but opened a private school of her own near by. Her assistant was Sarah Cope, who was paid a salary of one hundred and eighty dollars per annum.

Lydia Cresson succeeded Palmyra C. Evans, with Mary Nicholson as assistant. Ellen Stiles succeeded her sister, Lydia Cresson, who had for her assistant another sister, Ann Cresson.

The primary department in the lower story was opened by Hannah M. Taylor, at a salary of one hundred and sixty dollars; that was later increased to one hundred and eighty. Her sister, Anna E. Taylor, was her assistant for three months, when E. Nields took the latter's place. Ellen Stiles was the next teacher placed at the head of this room, when Hannah M. Taylor was sent up to the boys' room and Ann Marshall elected assistant. When Ellen Stiles was sent up into the girls' school Ann Marshall became the head of the primary department and Emma Taylor her assistant.

The school hours were from 8 a. m., to 12 m., and from 2 until 5 p. m. There were no vacations nor holidays, not even for the Fourth of July. The schools were opened every Seventh-day until noon, except on the last Seventh-day of each month, when they were allowed to be closed at 10 o'clock. In summer there was a vacation of two weeks for the purpose of cleaning house.

From the time this narrative written by Friend Sharples is brought to a close, there appears to have been steady progress, with no remarkable occurrences other than the erection of buildings for a period of several years.

The early salary list in the public schools gives indication that the incomes of the teachers were not munificent; Elijah Beans, the first Principal, received \$700, and his assistant, Mrs. Ellen Stiles, \$200, Miss Palmyra Evans, in the girls' room, received \$200; and her assistant \$180. In the primary department, Miss Hannah M. Taylor's salary was at first \$160, but was increased to \$180.

#### OFFICIAL SCHOOL RECORDS.

The earliest official minutes in existence, so far as can be learned, are contained in a book which was used for a dozen years subsequent to 1849, and these are of special interest because of the steps they show in the development of the public school system. In May of that year the amount of tax levied by the Board was \$2551.55½.

In the following month the teachers for the new term were elected and their salaries fixed as follows:

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| Sanford Culver, Principal of Boys' Department .....     | 8 500 00 |
| Eliza Warrington, assistant .....                       | 180 00   |
| Louisa S. Cresson, Principal of Girls' Department ..... | 200 00   |
| Mary B. Nicholson, assistant.....                       | 180 00   |
| Ann R. Marshall, Principal of Primary Department .....  | 180 00   |

Emma Taylor, assistant .....

180 00

Mary H. Entriken, Colored Department..

200 00

May 28, 1851—George Schreeves, a colored man, was appointed Principal of the colored school, he having been recommended by the colored people.

March 1, 1853—Co-education appears to have been introduced. The more advanced girls from the female department were given desks in the boys' room, and the boys who had not been so far advanced were given places in the girls' room. At the same time it was directed that reports be sent regularly to the parents, and that vocal music be permitted "at the close of the exercises, and at such times in each week as they (the teachers) may deem expedient, subject to the control of the monthly committees."

April 4, 1854—A resolution was passed requiring that corporal punishment be suspended, and that unruly pupils be sent to their homes until a trial could be given before the Committee of the Month. This system operated for about two years, during which time a male teacher lost his position for disobeying it. Friction consequently arose, and permission to chastise was once more given the teachers, who were tacitly advised to resort to it only in extreme cases.

March 12, 1857—Dr. Jesse C. Green, Treasurer of the Board, voluntarily offered to devote one-half his compensation for services to the purpose of buying books for a school library. He presented several hundred volumes during the period he served in this capacity, and the custom was followed by a few of his successors. For some time, in later years, the matter was dropped, but in recent times the library has been much improved.

May 5, 1857—It was decreed in the "High Department," each long desk be cut into four parts and so arranged as to accommodate two pupils to each desk, leaving a passageway between each row of desks, of about sixteen inches."

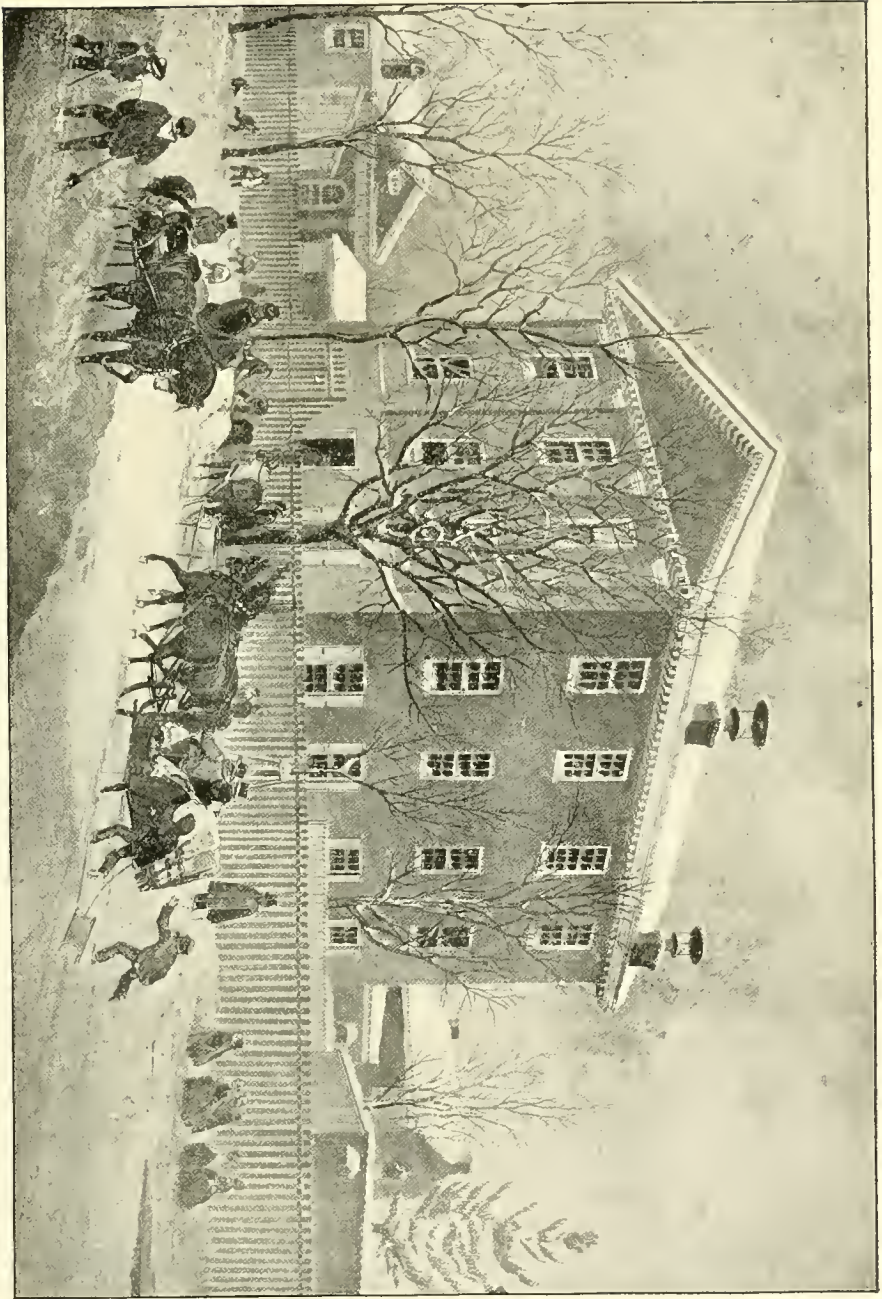
March 2, 1858—John J. Pinkerton was employed at \$30 a month to teach a select class in a room in the Good Will Engine House, on Church street, above Gay.

May 20, 1858—The Committee of the Month filed a lengthy report in which primary methods were discussed exhaustively and it was advised that new teachers be chosen in that department. At that time Sanford Culver received \$800 per annum, as Borough Superintendent, and the lowest salary paid in town was \$250.

In March of the following year, Dr. Jesse C. Green, who had been Treasurer for a number of years, was chosen President. A month later it was decided to pay the teachers monthly instead of quarterly.

May 7, 1859—The project of building a school for colored children was discussed. A lot belonging to Benjamin S. Bates and Maria, his wife, corner of Union and Wayne streets, was selected, and J. Smith Futhey reported that its title was satisfactory, he having been appointed by the Board to inquire into this matter. A remonstrance, however, was signed by 67 persons, some of whom were property owners in the neighborhood, and the site was abandoned. The locality was then in the country, but in 1890 it is in the close vicinity of many happy homes.

July, 1859—An invitation was extended to the



OLD BARNARD STREET SCHOOL BUILDING, NOW DENNY TAG FACTORY.

teachers and Directors of the public schools of Media to pay a visit to the West Chester Schools. The visit was paid and a vote of thanks extended by the Media Directors.

July 23, 1859—A town meeting was called to arrange for a County Convention of teachers and prominent friends of education.

August 13, 1859—Three lots for a colored school were bought at a total price of \$875, as follows: Fifty feet, corner of Barnard and Adams street, of Lewis W. Shields, \$450; 25 feet adjoining, of Shoemaker & Robison, \$225; 20 feet adjoining, of M. B. Broomhall, \$200.

September 17, 1859—On the advice of mechanics it was decided to wait until spring before beginning the erection of the building. At that time William McNair was the teacher in the colored school, at \$25 per month. The following spring the contract was let to William Shields, whose bid was \$4181, and the building was to be finished by September 1, 1860.

March 20, 1860—A new epoch appears to have dawned about this time. William E. Barber, who had just been elected, was made Secretary of the Board of Directors, Simon Barnard was President, and R. Maris Frame was chosen Treasurer. The other members were Benjamin J. Passmore, Benjamin S. Bates and Henry Fleming, Jr. In the following month all the teachers in the schools were submitted to an examination, in which Sanford Culver, the veteran Principal; Dr. John P. Jeffers, E. Haines and Joseph S. Evans, were put through their courses, in company with several others, under the direction of Dr. Franklin Taylor, County Superintendent, assisted by W. W. Woodruff. The Board was present.

The next day, April 7, 1860, at a full meeting of the Board, Messrs. Barber and Passmore, the Committee of the Month, presented a lengthy report in which the condition of the schools and teachers was set forth and several changes in salaries were suggested. There were motions and counter motions and amendments, and at the end of the meeting several of the old teachers appear to have been without positions. Meetings of the Board were held every day for a while, and trouble was present at all. Indignation meetings were held in the Court House, and prominent citizens demanded to know why the Board had dismissed Mr. Culver. A dignified reply was given, thus:

"The Board of School Directors of the West Chester District, having been waited upon by a committee appointed in a town meeting of their fellow citizens to ascertain the reasons why the Board had not reappointed Sanford Culver to the position of Principal of the High Department and General Superintendent of the Public Schools of West Chester, have authorized the following statement to be made to the committee, viz.:

"The office of School Director is one of dignity and honor, but one likewise of labor and responsibility. It is a position which no one seeks for its emoluments and the duties of which no one can discharge conscientiously without encountering opposition and provoking censure from some portion of every community.

"By the laws of the Commonwealth, School Directors are clothed with the power of levying taxes for educational purposes, which in itself is a cause for constant complaint on the part of many, and they are charged with the duty of distributing the funds raised by taxation so as to promote in the highest degree the efficiency of the schools over which through the suffrages of their fellow-citizens they have the supervision.

"One of the most delicate and difficult of the

duties appertaining to their office is the selection of teachers. It is incumbent upon Directors to employ only such according to the means at their command as in their judgment are most proficient in literary attainments and have the best practical knowledge of the art of teaching.

"They are required by law to visit the school's frequently in order to ascertain from personal inspection the condition of the schools from time to time, to mark the progress, if any, of the pupils, and to decide whether the teachers in their employ are conducting the schools efficiently. From the close and constant vigilance which they necessarily exercise over the system, they are presumed to be, and generally are, best acquainted with the wants of the schools and understand where defects may be supplied and evils remedied. Neither parents, scholars, nor any other members of the community are permitted to interfere with them in the discharge of this responsibility. Any interference of this kind is calculated to render Directors timid, time-serving and inefficient, and if frequently repeated, would be subversive to the common school system.

"As well might the stockholders expect to promote the prosperity of a railroad company or a banking institution by taking to task the Directors for appointing or discharging clerks, conductors or other employes, as for a community to hope for a well ordered system of common schools by calling the Directors to account for their action in the choice of teachers. If the Directors are responsible for the proper management of schools, they certainly ought to be allowed the privilege of choosing persons who shall conduct them.

"If the community have the right of controlling the action of the Directors, in such cases, then the Directorship is a nullity, and the teachers should be appointed in town meetings.

"In regard to the case under consideration, Mr. Culver was appointed, as were all the other teachers, from year to year. His contract with the Directors expires by its own limitation at the termination of every school year. He has never had any claim upon the Directors for reappointment. By declining to reappoint, the Directors have not dismissed or discharged him. They have given him notice of their action three weeks before the expiration of the present, and seven weeks before the commencement of the ensuing school year. Longer notice than this it would have been impossible to give without inflicting injury upon the schools.

"The Board have therefore unanimously passed the following resolution:

"While the Board of School Directors fully recognize the right of the people to assemble together to approve or denounce the action of their public servants, they utterly deny the authority of a town meeting, through committees or otherwise, to demand of them reasons for their official conduct."

April 18, 1860.—After a series of cross actions, the Board united on the election of A. A. Meader, to succeed to the Superintendency in the Borough. Mr. Meader was a stranger, a compromise candidate, and had never been in West Chester. He came and remained for six years, serving with credit. At first there was opposition to his way, but, as Kipling says, that is another story.

It is shown in the minutes which follow, that new rules were adopted, that a Teachers' Association was formed, and that progress was made in many ways.

April 16, 1861—A lot having been purchased of Thomas Kimber, at the corner of Bidde and Church streets, in addition to one already owned by the Board, in that locality, for \$900, bids were taken for the erection of a new building thereon, and the contract was let to Joseph Hunt, the lowest bidder, for \$12,841.18. Soon afterward, the times indicating that there would be national disturbances and a need for ready money, the Board offered Mr. Hunt \$100 to annul the contract. Mr. Hunt insisted on having \$500, and after some parleying an agreement was made, by which the build-

ing was not to be completed until next year. By this time the war had begun, and school matters were secondary in the minds of the people for a while. The minute books have been lost.

#### DR. DARLINGTON'S FIGURES.

Dr. William Darlington, in his "History of West Chester," published in 1857, says: "The first efficient and enduring intellectual movement in the borough—after a torpid kind of animal existence for a quarter of a century—was in the erection of the West Chester Academy; and even that partially originated in dissatisfaction with the absurd location of the so-called 'Chester County Academy'—then recently endowed with the sum of two thousand dollars by the Legislature. By the energetic efforts and liberal example of William Hemphill Esquire, nearly eight thousand dollars were voluntarily and promptly subscribed by the citizens of West Chester and vicinity, for the Academy; a handsome building was erected in 1812, on an acre lot, south side of Gay street, and the institution duly incorporated. In the same year, 1812, the Society of Friends built a Meeting House on what is called Quaker Hill, on the north side of town."

In the same history Dr. Darlington gives the following statistics of the schools in the town, as taken in 1857:

West Chester Public Schools—East Barnard street, between Church and High, and West Barnard street, between Church and Darlington streets. White School, Primary Department, 112 boys; 98 girls; 4 teachers. Secondary Department, 58 boys; 54 girls; 3 teachers. High Department, 56 boys; 65 girls; 3 teachers. Colored School, 38 boys; 27 girls; 1 teacher.

Directors—Henry Sharpless, Jesse C. Green, R. Maris Fraue, Benjamin Bates, Washington Townsend, Minshall B. Broomhall.

Institute for Young Gentlemen, Boot Road—90 scholars; 12 teachers. A. Bolmar, proprietor.

Miss Barclay's Select School, No. 96, West Miner street—17 scholars.

Miss Emma Dennis' Primary School, No. 64 West Gay street—30 scholars.

Miss Hannah Embree's Primary School, northeast corner Church and Barnard—18 scholars.

Miss Mary C. Pratt's Day School for Young Ladies, in the rear of the Chester County Cabinet—45 scholars; 2 teachers.

Private Boarding School for Boys, Nos. 102 and 104 West Miner, Thomas B. Jacobs, proprietor—15 scholars; 1 teacher.

Miss E. W. Richards' Young Ladies' Boarding School, No. 96 East Gay street—25 scholars; 3 female teachers.

Students' Home, northeast corner of Market and High streets, a day school for Young Ladies, Isabella B. Butler and Sarah Hughes, 19 scholars.

West Chester Female Seminary—Union street, between Church and High. Conducted by the Misses Evans, 30 boarders, 35 day scholars, 4 male and 3 female teachers.

West Chester Academy—West Gay street, above Darlington. William F. Wyers, Ph.D., A. M., Principal, 81 scholars, 6 teachers.

Trustees—Joseph J. Lewis, Dr. William Darlington, John W. Townsend, Dr. Isaac Thomas, Dr.

Wilmer Worthington, John Marshall, Washington Townsend, Joseph Hemphill, Joseph P. Wilson.

Friends' School—North Church street, between Chestnut and Washington, 16 scholars, 1 teacher.

#### SCHOOLS FOR COLORED CHILDREN.

Rev. Joseph S. Evans, President of the School Board, has kindly consented to prepare the following sketch, showing the work in the colored schools: A few notes concerning the Gay Street Public School, past and present:—

In a year not known to the writer, a small one-story brick building was erected on West Barnard street, about half way between Church and Darlington streets, by the colored people of West Chester, to be used for school purposes for the exclusive use of the colored children of West Chester. It was called the Harmony School House.

It was at first a private school. There many of the older colored persons of the present day, who now live in the borough, received their first instructions in school life. Later on, about the year 1856, the School Board of West Chester, with the consent of the Trustees of the Harmony School House, established a department of the public schools in this building, where the colored children of the borough were provided with an instructor and with books, etc., just as the other schools of the borough were provided.

In 1858 Preston Pratt was in charge.

In the spring of 1859 Jos. S. Evans was appointed teacher of the school.

The advantages of free education soon became so apparent to the patrons, and all the colored population of the borough that the school became overcrowded, and an assistant teacher was appointed. Very soon it was manifest that enlarged quarters and facilities must be had. This pressure led to the purchase of a lot at the corner of Barnard and Adams streets, and the erection of a two-story brick building, which was known as the Adams Street School, in the year 1860. Into this building Mr. Evans and his teacher led the pupils on October 22d, 1860. This move was a grand impetus to the interest heretofore taken in this direction. At first the first floor of the Adams Street School, with its class rooms, was occupied. An additional assistant teacher was appointed. The colored population began to appreciate the great advantages afforded them to have their children educated. The schools were well patronized. Many of the best, most respected and most influential citizens among our colored population received their most potent lessons within the walls of the Adams Street Public School. In the course of time both stories of the building had to be utilized, and the teaching force had to be increased from the one teacher, to a Principal and four assistant teachers. But the increase in interest in the schools and in attendance, compelled the Board of Education to seek enlarged accommodations.

In 1894 the present site, on East Gay street, was chosen and purchased, and the present magnificent building was erected and occupied and known as the Gay Street Public School. It, with its extensive and beautiful grounds, is the most imposing school building in the borough.

The faculty consists of a Principal and seven assistant teachers, besides an instructor in plain sewing in the girls' department. From this school

there go, year after year, pupils who are fitted for the grammar grades in the High School, and year after year there are graduated from the Senior Class of our High School, those who have, by faithful study, attained a degree of efficiency that enables them to graduate and receive honorable diplomas in common with the white pupils of our borough.

#### WEST CHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS, FROM 1860-1866.

Prof. A. A. Meader, who for several years has resided in West Chester, and is known and respected by a wide circle of friends, has kindly consented to prepare the following sketch of his administration as Superintendent:

In the Spring of 1860 the Board of School Directors decided that a change in the management of the public schools would be for their advantage.

Sanford Culver had been Principal for 13 years, and had done some good work. He was a scholarly man, and had numerous friends among those who had been his pupils.

The Directors consulted a School Agency, in Philadelphia, and a gentleman at that time teaching in Woonsocket, R. I., was recommended. He knew nothing of the vacancy or of the Board's intention until he received notice from the Secretary, Wm. E. Barber, Esq., that he had been appointed Principal of the High and Grammar School, and Superintendent of all the schools in West Chester. He resigned immediately, and came at once, arriving June 1, 1860.

On the first Monday in June, the Principal-elect entered on his duties with more than 100 scholars, opposed to the change of teachers, with Dr. John P. Jefferis and Miss Ellen A. Whitford as assistant teachers in the high department. These faithfully sustained the stranger in his work.

The school was of a low grade, the older and stronger pupils having left. Besides the common school branches some algebra, elementary Latin and French were taught.

In previous years it usually required two days to put the high department in working order; one day to give out the books, which were few, and another to arrange the classes. The school was not graded. A pupil might be in the first class in reading, third in arithmetic, and in fourth or fifth in some other branch of study. As there were three teachers to hear recitations, it was a troublesome task to arrange the classes so that each individual scholar might have proper attention. The only apparent way for a new teacher, in the beginning, was to follow in the old grooves.

In the second month of the term, a general examination of the school was held in the branches of study, in which all were interested. Guided by the averages of this examination, six grades were formed, corresponding substantially to all subsequent classification.

The principal schools were located in the building on Barnard street, now occupied by the Tag Factory. Primary on the first floor; intermediate or secondary on second floor, and the high or grammar on the third. The Barnard street building was thus occupied for three years. At the beginning of the fourth year the Church street building being completed, the higher grades were transferred to it. For some of the lower grades, rooms were

rented and fitted for school purposes. One on North Church street, one on North High street, and one in the basement of the First Baptist Church were thus occupied for a considerable time.

The Principal's duty for the first year was to teach the two higher classes; to open the schools in each department by reading portions of Scripture, and each month to report each scholars' marks in conduct and recitation to the Secretary of the School Board, who copied them into a book prepared for that purpose. After a few months, this reporting and copying was discontinued.

The formality of opening the schools was thus: The upper school was called to order at 9 o'clock and passages of Scriptures read. Fifteen minutes after the Principal performed a similar service in the middle department, and fifteen minutes later found him on the first floor among the little ones, with the Bible in his hand. These ceremonies were found unprofitable and left with each teacher below the High School to perform in her own way.

In September, 1863, the new building on Church street was occupied by the high department, by a separate grammar department, and several of the lower grades. Mr. A. A. Meader was continued as Principal and Superintendent, and Miss Betty Barnes, now Mrs. William S. Kirk, Assistant in the High School. At the end of the first year Miss Barnes resigned for a more lucrative position, and Miss Sarah W. Starkweather was appointed Assistant. Two years later Mr. Meader resigned, and Miss Starkweather was made Principal and Superintendent, which position she successfully held for twenty-two years.

New branches of study were introduced into the High School as rapidly as the scholars were ready to go on with them.

In June, 1866, five girls were graduated from the High School, only one of whom is now living (1899).

The scholarship of these young ladies was not equal to what was subsequently required of a graduating class, but it was thought best to make a beginning somewhere.

#### FIRST GRADUATING CLASS.

The Summer of 1866 marked the beginning of a new era in the history of West Chester's public schools. It was in July, on the evening of the 6th, that a class of five young ladies, who had finished the prescribed course of study, received diplomas from the Board of Directors. The class consisted of Georgie Cox, Delia L. Meader, Lizzie B. Nash, Annie Z. T. Nields, Maggie G. Shea. All of these had previously taken examinations under the County Superintendent and received certificates to teach.

In an account of the commencement exercises, which occurs in the report of the schools for that year, appears this paragraph: "At the same time, also, Mr. A. A. Meader, who for the past six years has filled the office of Superintendent and Principal, and to whose devoted labors is due most of the present thorough and systematic arrangement of the school, closed his connection with it."

Mr. Meader was succeeded by Miss Sarah W. Starkweather (now Mrs. Stroeter, of Rochester, N. Y.), of whom the record says: "She is no stranger to the community, and has won the confidence and affection of the many pupils who have passed under her care."

Board of Directors: William B. Moore, President; Lewis Lewis, Secretary; Charles Fairlamb, Treasurer; Wm. Wollerton, Addison May, J. Smith Putney.

Eleven hundred pupils had been in attendance during the year. This number included the Catholics as well as the Protestant pupils in the town. Miss Starkweather received a salary of \$1000, and Oliver N. Shingle, who was Principal of the Colored School, on Adams street, received \$600. In the Barnard street building the highest salary paid was to Miss Sidney T. John, \$400, and the lowest in town was \$250. Miss Ellen A. Whitford, the Assistant at Church street, was paid \$500. There were at that time 17 teachers in the public schools.

The Adams street building had been erected in 1860, and in the following year the Church street building, which cost over \$17,000 for the erection and furnishing, was made ready for use. The valuation of the buildings and grounds:

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| Barnard Street School, cost of lot and building, about..... | \$5000 00 |
| Adams Street School, cost of lot and building, about.....   | 5000 00   |
| Church Street School, cost of lot and building, about ..... | 20,000 00 |

Miss Starkweather is remembered as a lady of high character and fine personal appearance. In addition to being well educated and a disciplinarian of great ability, she implanted higher ideals in the minds of her pupils, and led them to see the beauties of a noble life. Through the administration which she conducted, from 1866 until 1888, there was a steady improvement in the schools and a gradual development of character, two features which to this day reflect much credit upon Miss Starkweather and her assistants. At the first banquet of the Alumni Association, in 1895, she was present, having returned as Mrs. Streeter, of Rochester, N. Y.

Mrs. Streeter has kindly consented to give the following brief resume of her work:

#### WEST CHESTER PUBLIC SCHOOLS. (1866-1889.)

The most noteworthy feature of our administration was the marked change in public sentiment. A deeply-seated prejudice existed in 1866 against "public" schools in distinction from "pay" schools, but slurs gave place to encomiums; disparagement to laudation, and a community which regarded with jealousy the smallest expenditure, considering the school tax generous, erected an imposing edifice at a cost of eighty thousand dollars.

The early adoption of the High School curriculum and diploma, commencement exercises and a widely-circulated annual report contributed to this result.

An elastic system of promotions, steady maintenance of a high standard, incentives rather than penalties, attractive surroundings, modernized grade work and regulation of home study so increased attendance, which had been fluctuating, as to add years to the average period of school life.

The impulse given to studies connected with language and literature in the earlier years is still manifest in the large patronage of the free public library, whose existence may be traced to this source. The legislation requiring instruction in temperance physiology in all grades and the opening of a department in manual training marked epochs in the history of the schools.

The participation in the Centennial Exposition awakened interest. The attendance of the pupils in a body at the laying of the corner stone of the High Street School was an impressive object lesson, while the comprehensive exhibit of excellent grade work from entrance to graduation, made in February, 1889, elicited universal commendation and evoked an enthusiasm felt in succeeding years.

S. W. STREETER.

#### THE HIGH STREET BUILDING.

A marked event was the erection of the High Street building, in 1887. It occupies the whole front from Dean street to Price, and is on the site of a pond which was used for many years by the Sharples family and was a part of the original Sharples homestead. An immense amount of filling in was done, and the foundations were laid deep, in order that the superstructure might be firm and strong. The building is one of the handsomest in the State, and it is valued at \$70,000. The lot was purchased for \$6,000 of Plummer E. Jefferis, who was also the builder.

At this time Captain R. T. Cornwell, who had served for a quarter of a century as a member of the Board of Directors, was President, and H. T. Fairlamb was Secretary. The other members were Dr. Isaac Massey, Rev. Joseph S. Evans, Henry C. Baldwin, William Dowlin.

#### THE PRESENT DECADE.

In the present decade, the final one of the century, organization has been a dominant feature. Plans which had been carefully laid are adhered to in the main, and such additions made as seem advisable. The result is a finer and firmer weaving of the educational fabric, a harmonious effort toward the perfection of a general pattern insuring the greatest possible amount of gain for the pupils.

Addison L. Jones, who was elected Superintendent of the Borough Public Schools in 1889, has proved a most able and faithful servant of the people. He has been well supported by the Board of Directors, and well assisted by the teachers. That the united efforts have been successful is attested by the splendid roll of graduates from the High School, and of other boys and girls who took portions of the course.

The work in English and drawing, under the care of Professor S. I. Kremer, has been excellent, ranking with the best in the State, and superior to that in many towns of great size.

In manual training, which Professor Joseph J. Bailly taught from the time it was introduced until the present term, the course has been extended to four years, and made to include turning, wood carving and mechanical drawing.

Vocal music is taught as a regular branch in all the schools, and is given special supervision, having been introduced in 1890.

Critical reading, from books found in the school library or in the Public Library, has been successfully introduced. Pupils are thus taught to read and relish good literature.

Sewing has been made a feature in the Gay Street School, where colored girls are carefully taught plain needlework and dressmaking.

The Boys' Debating Club and the Girls' Literary

Society have been organized and regular meetings conducted.

The Meredith Contest in Oratory and the Meredith Contests in Manual Training and Mechanical Drawing, the Evans Contest in Oratory and the Dowlin Contest in Composition have all been made regular portions of the High School course.

The High School Library has been strengthened and enlarged, so that it now contains 1500 volumes. It is now in daily use.

The Alumni Association, of which Joseph F. Hill is now President, has been formed, and several annual banquets have been held.

In the School Savings Bank, about \$20,000 have been saved, mostly in small amounts.

All the teachers have become accustomed to doing advanced work every year, some attending the University of Pennsylvania or other institutions during the term or spending a portion of the vacation at summer schools.

The salaries have been made such that the best talent may be employed and held proof against offers from elsewhere.

The Second District of the Chester County Teachers' Association has been organized, with West Chester as its headquarters, and many excellent meetings have been held in the High School.

The requirements of the law providing for compulsory education have been carefully observed, and an attendance officer employed to look after the truants, who are becoming fewer every term.

In February, 1894, the Board of Directors, of which C. Wesley Talbot, Esq., was President, decided to build a school for colored pupils, and arrangements were made for purchasing a lot from P. M. Sharples, on East Gay street, for \$4,000. The purchase was made, and plans which had been drawn by Arthur Ebbs Willauer, then a member of the Senior Class, were adopted. At a cost of about \$25,000, the building was erected. Its total value, including furniture and apparatus, is now about \$40,000.

That same year the Church street building was remodeled and several additional rooms opened. The High School room was much enlarged, to accommodate an attendance which had greatly increased. In this room there are now about 170 pupils. The entire first floor, with two rooms in the basement, is used for High School purposes.

At the close of last term arrangements were made by which the younger pupils in the southern part of the town shall attend the Model School, which has been erected by the Trustees of the State Normal School, the arrangement being that the Normal School furnishes the building, heated and lighted, and pays \$700 a year for maintenance, and the teachers, four in number, are employed by the School Board, which looks after the supplies and details of management just as in any other building in the town.

The total number of High School graduates to date is 329, and of these many have taken higher courses at colleges or universities. Many, also, have graduated from the West Chester State Normal School.

Here are a few statistics regarding them: First Class, '66, 5 girls. First 21 Classes, '66-'89, 28 boys, 145 girls. Last 10 Classes, '90-'99, 49 boys, 97 girls. Total, 77 boys, 242 girls. Total, both sexes, 329.

Colleges which the High School graduates have entered: Swarthmore, Haverford, University of Pennsylvania, Lehigh University, Yale, Harvard, Lafayette, Woman's College of Baltimore.

The present organization and personnel of the Board of Directors has remained intact since the 3d of June, 1895, when it was effected as follows:

Rev. Joseph S. Evans, President; Walter H. Lewis, Secretary; William Dowlin, Treasurer; Thomas T. Smith, Dr. Elwood Patrick, Thomas W. Baldwin, Esq.

The full list of employes of the district, with Superintendent Addison L. Jones at the head, at a salary of \$2100 per annum, stands as follows:

#### CHURCH STREET SCHOOL.

High School—Principal, Addison L. Jones, Walter L. Philips, First Assistant, \$100 per month, Allema M. Ogden, Second Assistant, \$60, S. Ruth McMichael, Third Assistant, \$75, Louis J. Palmer, Assistant, \$40 per month (part time).  
S. I. Kreemer, Supervisor of Drawing and teacher, \$105.  
Mary J. Knowlton, Director of Vocal Music and teacher, \$100.  
First Grammar—Harriet D. Sahler, \$75; Carrie M. Sweney, \$55.  
Second Grammar—M. Adelle Bailey, \$50; Laura E. Swartz, \$50.  
First Primary—Helen E. Foulke, \$45.  
Second Primary—Elizabeth R. Sharpless, \$45.  
Third Primary—Laura M. Smith, \$50.  
Manual Training—William N. Hendrickson, \$37.50 (half time).  
Janitor—George Buxton, \$49 17.

#### HIGH STREET SCHOOL.

Third Grammar Grade—Anna M. McLeir, Principal, \$60; Ida B. Brooke, \$50.  
First Intermediate—C. Annie Adams, \$54; Carrie A. Seibert, \$50.  
Second Intermediate—Lucy I. Smedley, \$45; Nellie C. Spedman, \$45.  
Third Intermediate—Nellie A. Campbell, \$45.  
First Primary—Clara J. Shepherd, \$45.  
Second Primary—Lida M. Thompson, \$45.  
Third Primary—Estelena H. Mercer, \$50.  
Janitor—William P. Miles, \$45.

#### MODEL SCHOOL.

Third Intermediate—Fannie C. Watson, \$60.  
First Intermediate—Linda H. Barber, \$50.  
Second Primary—Adelaide H. Woodward, \$50.  
Third Primary—Lillian W. Pierce, \$55.  
Janitor—Clarkson L. Faddis, \$35.

#### GAY STREET SCHOOL.

Third Grammar—Joseph Miller, Principal, \$10.  
First Intermediate—Lorena J. Eloit, \$50.  
Second Intermediate—Clara M. Fhni, \$75.  
Third Intermediate—Escher J. Wynn, \$45.  
First Primary—Bessie H. Spence, \$45.  
Second Primary—May D. L. Morrison, \$45; Anna M. Dale, \$45.  
Third Primary—Anna E. Woodward, \$50.  
Sewing Department—Ella Niels, \$20 (two days a week).  
Janitor—John Francis, \$45.  
Attendance Officer—Samuel L. Dicks, \$25.

An estimate of the present value of the school property is given herewith:

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| Church Street School, remodelled in 1894..... | \$40,000  |
| High Street School, built in 1887.....        | 70,000    |
| Gay Street School built in 1894.....          | 30,000    |
| Adams Street School (vacated).....            | 1,500     |
|   | \$141,500 |

The tax rate for the current year is 3 1-2 mills for school purposes and one mill for building purposes.

The estimated cost of the schools for the year is \$33,750, of which \$24,348.47 will be raised by taxation.



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# EARLY PRIVATE SCHOOLS

With a Passing Glance at Some of the Later Ones.

FROM an article by the late Hon. J. Smith Fitchey, in the report of the State Superintendent, Dr. James Pyle Wickersham, for 1877, the following accounts of early private schools in West Chester are reproduced:

The West Chester Academy, an institution in which many of Chester county's most worthy citizens have been educated, was opened in 1813. The expense of erecting the necessary buildings was contributed by voluntary subscription. The first teachers were Dr. John Gemmil, and Jonathan Gause, who had charge respectively, of the classical and mathematical departments. Dr. Gemmil died in 1814. In a short time thereafter Mr. Gause became the sole principal, and, except for a brief period, remained in charge until 1829, a period of 16 years, when he resigned to open a private institution.

During the period of Mr. Gause's incumbency the Academy flourished and became quite celebrated in Eastern Pennsylvania. Many men who afterward became prominent in life were educated there, among them Nimrod Strickland, Joseph Hemphill, John Hickman, Washington Townsend, Dr. Wilmer Worthington, William W. Jefferis, James B. Everhart, and Dr. George Smith, author of the History of Delaware County.

From 1829 to 1834, the Academy was in charge of different principals. In the latter year Anthony Bolmar, a native of France, took charge of it and remained until 1840. During this period it was more prosperous than it had ever been before, and was crowded with pupils. Mr. Bolmar was succeeded by James Crowell, who had charge until 1854. William F. Wyers was principal from 1854 until 1866. During this period the school increased to such an extent that additional buildings became requisite. Messrs. J. Hunter Worrall and Eugene Paulin succeeded Mr. Wyers in 1866, and conducted the Academy until 1869, when it was finally closed as a district school, and merged in the State Normal School. Mr. Worrall then started in Cabinet Hall, a Mathematical and Classical Institute for Boys.

In 1829 Jonathan Gause, having relinquished charge of the West Chester Academy, opened an institution which he called "The West Chester Boarding School for Young Men and Boys," which he conducted until 1832, when he relinquished it to Cheyney Hannum, and removed to his farm in West Bradford township, where he opened Greenwood Dell Boarding School.

In 1837-8, a joint stock company erected a palatial edifice in West Chester for a young ladies' boarding school, which flourished signally as such under the charge of the accomplished Mrs. Almira H. Lincoln Phelps, well known as the author of a work on Botany. The company, however, failed, and the property, coming under the Sheriff's hammer, was purchased in 1840, by Anthony Bolmar, or as his name was written in full, Jean Claude

Antoine Brunin de Bolmar, who had then had charge of the West Chester Academy for the preceding six years. Mr. Bolmar converted it into a boarding school for young men and boys, and conducted it as such until 1860. This school speedily became one of the most popular and flourishing institutions in our country. It acquired a world-wide celebrity, and attracted numerous pupils from distant places, especially from the Southern States and the West Indies. The energetic Principal was regarded as the Napoleon of teachers. The school was noted for its remarkably systematic and exact discipline; indeed it was semi-military in its methodical strictness. No boy could ever boast that he had outwitted "Bolly," as he was familiarly called by his pupils. Mr. Bolmar was the author of several educational works for the instruction of pupils in the French language.

After the death of Mr. Bolmar the property was occupied by the Pennsylvania Military Academy, from 1862 to 1865, under the Presidency of Colonel Theodore Hyatt, when it was removed to Chester. This school was large and prosperous—the cadets in attendance always numbering 120.

The property was then purchased by William F. Wyers and a school reopened by him in 1866, under the title of Wyers' Scientific and Classical Institute for boys, and conducted by him until his death, in 1871.

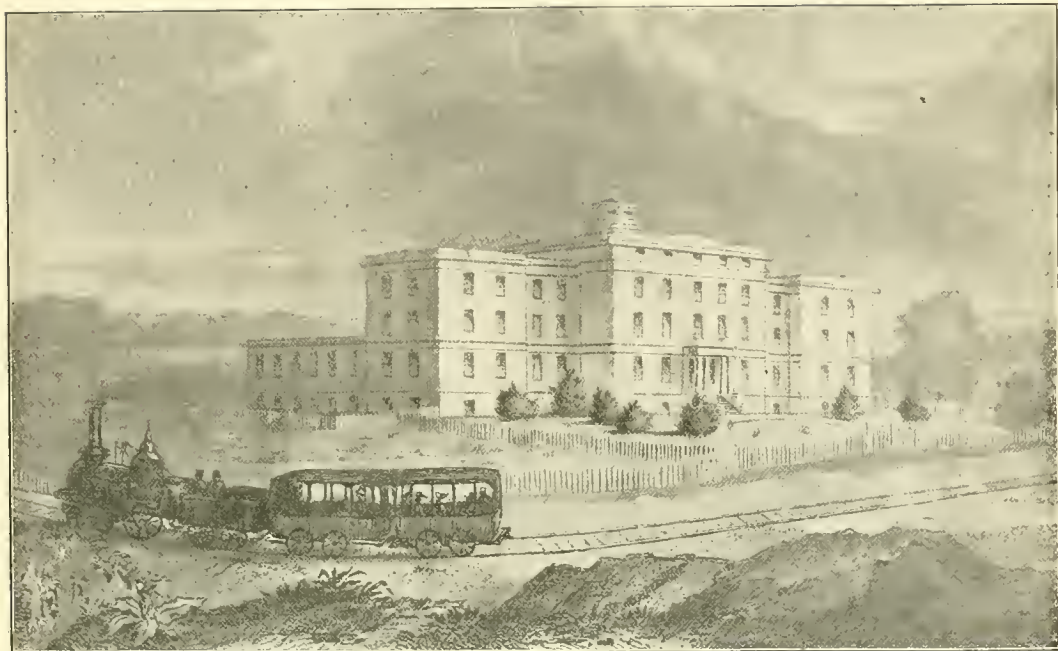
Mr. Wyers was an earnest and agile supporter of the cause of education. He was one of the most thorough classical teachers in Pennsylvania, and for 20 years he faithfully devoted himself to the arduous duties of his profession.

Mr. Wyers was succeeded by Robert M. McClellan, who conducted the school for two years, when the property was purchased by the Catholic "Convent of the Immaculate Heart," and a school established, entitled "Villa Maria," which is conducted under the direction of the Sisters, and is now in active operation.

Price's Boarding School for Girls, in West Chester was established by Philip and Rachel Price, in 1830, and conducted under the Superintendency of their daughter, Mrs. Hannah P. Davis, from that date until 1852, when it was purchased by Miss P. C. Evans and sisters. This institution was a signal success, and during this period about twelve hundred girls were educated there. Hannah P. Davis was recognized by the entire community as one of the loveliest examples of a true Quaker lady and Christian woman that ever adorned and blessed the ancient county of Chester.

Miss P. C. Evans and sisters had established the "West Chester Female Seminary" in 1848, and in 1852 it became the successor of the school of Hannah P. Davis, and it was conducted in the same building until 1872, when it was removed to other buildings.

In 1872 Robert M. McClellan purchased the large



MRS. ALMIRA H. LINCOLN PHELPS' YOUNG LADIES' SEMINARY, NOW VILLA MARIA,  
(From an old engraving).

buildings of P. C. Evans and sisters, formerly Price's School, and there established McClellan's Institute for Boys.

In 1852 Dr. Franklin Taylor, Dr. Elwood Harvey and Prof. Fordyce A. Allen opened a Normal School in West Chester, of which Prof. Allen soon thereafter became the sole proprietor. In 1860 he opened a Female Institute in connection therewith. These schools were continued until 1864.

The "Young Ladies' Select School" in West Chester, was opened in 1860, under the charge of the Misses Lamborn and Miss Worrall, and continued until 1867, when Dr. Franklin Taylor took charge of it and continued it under the name of "Young Ladies' Academy" until 1870, with an average attendance of seventy-five pupils.

In 1826 a society was organized in West Chester with the view to promote a knowledge of natural history generally, and especially of the indigenous products of Chester county, which society was incorporated by the title of "The Chester County Cabinet of Natural Science." Its members performed their duties with commendable zeal, and an interesting museum of specimens in the three great kingdoms of nature were accumulated. They erected a large three-story hall in which their collections were placed. Among them were specimens of all the known minerals and plants of the county, and of the greater portion of the mammalia, birds and reptiles which inhabit it. The herbarium contained 8000 specimens of plants from the various regions of the globe, all completely catalogued and arranged. Miscellaneous treasures and curiosities in the museum were also quite numerous, and a large and valuable library was collected. During the Winter

season for many years, courses of lectures were regularly delivered in the hall of the society.

The taste created for the natural sciences by this organization, in addition to the valuable collections which it made, led some of its members to commit their knowledge to the press, and among the works published were "Flora Cestrica," by Dr. Wm. Darlington, and "Conchologica Cestrica," of Drs. William D. Hartman and Ezra Michener.

For 1826 the officers of the Chester County Cabinet were these:

President, William Darlington, M. D.; Vice Presidents, Hon. Isaac Darlington, William Jackson; Corresponding Secretary, John W. Townsend, Esq.; Recording Secretary, Henry H. Van Amringe, Esq.; Curators, Isaac Thomas, M. D., Abraham Marshall, Jr., Esq.

In 1831 the President remained the same, but John W. Townsend had succeeded William Jackson as Vice-President. The Curators at that time were Wilmer Worthington, M. D., John Marshall and Joseph Hemphill, Jr., Esq.

By the year 1835, the curators were all men whose names are now familiar, Philip P. Sharples, J. Lacey Darlington, William P. Townsend.

#### TO-DAY'S PRIVATE SCHOOLS.

With one or two exceptions the private schools in recent years have not been very large, owing to the difficulty in competing with the institutions receiving support from the State. Several small schools have sprung up and lived for a time, but only a few have prospered.

The largest private institution of an educational nature is the Academy connected with the Convent of the Immaculate Heart, Villa Maria. This is

well supported and well patronized, and the instruction is given by the patient Sisters, who devote their whole lives to the work. Their music and art departments are considered especially fine. About 150 young ladies are enrolled annually.

Under the care of the Convent, also, is the boys' boarding school, known as St. Aloysius Academy, wherein from thirty to forty boys are taught by the Sisters. All the lads are taken at an age of less than thirteen years.

In St. Agnes' Parish School, which has its home in the Joseph J. Lewis Mansion, on West Gay street, the boys and girls of the parish are taught. Their number is about 200. In the year 1888 the present pastor, Rev. Samuel B. Spalding, made arrangements to increase the number of teachers to four, and the custom of holding commencements was introduced. The Lewis mansion was purchased

in a private residence on Church street, near the Meeting House. Elizabeth S. Pennell is Principal, assisted by Elizabeth Savery. The Committee in Charge consists of George B. Mellor, Clerk; Edward H. Hall, Treasurer; Gilbert Cope, George Forsythe, Anna G. Cope, Hannah H. Savery, Susanna Sharpless, Adelaide B. Comfort.

Connected with High Street Meeting of Friends is a school which has been conducted since the early days of the Friends here, it being the natural successor to the Old Stone School House, which stood near the present Strasburg road. The original building, the centre of a row of three, was erected in 1835, and additions were erected at different times. The present home of the school is a two-story stone building, which is of modern design, and does not look as though it had been standing for nearly twenty-five years. The upper floor is used



FONTGARTH HALL, FOR YOUNG LADIES.

early in the present decade and fitted up for school purposes, and the number of teachers again increased.

The Friends' School, on North Church street, is comfortably housed in a neat building of brick, erected for the purpose in 1889. In the second story is a pleasant hall, which is used as a gymnasium, and which contains the old Birmingham Library, now numbering 2500 volumes. The original building, a small structure of serpentine, one story in height, was erected in 1850, and was torn down to make room for the new, after standing for nearly thirty years. Previous to 1850 the school was loca-

ted in a private residence on Church street, near the Meeting House. Elizabeth S. Pennell is Principal, assisted by Elizabeth Savery. The Committee in Charge consists of George B. Mellor, Clerk; Edward H. Hall, Treasurer; Gilbert Cope, George Forsythe, Anna G. Cope, Hannah H. Savery, Susanna Sharpless, Adelaide B. Comfort.

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for school purposes, and the lower story is fitted up for the Young Friends' Association. The teachers are Esther B. Foulke, Principal; Benlah W. Paschall, Primary Department and Languages, and Sara B. Walter, Kindergarten. The Committee consists of David T. Sharpless, Caroline J. Worth, Alfred D. Sharpless, Benlah Darlington, Joseph J. Taylor.

Darlington Seminary, which formerly was located at Ereldonn, was removed to East Bradford, in 1883. It is about a mile west of the borough and Richard Darlington, Ph. D., is Principal, and Prof. Frank P. Bye, former County Superintendent, is

Vice-Principal. About fifty boarding pupils are taught.

For about eight years Miss Jennie B. Martin has conducted a business school. She has rooms on North High street, where pupils are given a thorough course in shorthand, typewriting and book-keeping. Positions are found for graduates as soon as they are competent to do office work.

Fontgarth Hall, at the corner of Miner and New streets, is conducted by Mrs. Mary K. Schreiner Smith as a boarding and day school. She has two assistant teachers.

About the year 1892 Miss Elizabeth Moore conducted a kindergarten in the Assembly Building.

For several years Miss Jennie Windle taught a

kindergarten on Gay street, occupying different locations in different years.

During two Winters Mrs. Serrill J. Sharples taught a kindergarten at her home, on East Biddle street.

About 1890 George S. Zane conducted a short-hand school on North High street.

Miss Margaret G. Townsend taught for a number of years a young ladies' preparatory school, known as "Windy Knowe," at her home on North Matlack street. She closed the school last Spring, after training many pupils in mathematics and the languages.

Miss Mary J. Haines has this Fall opened a new kindergarten at No. 31 West Barnard street.

## OUR STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

Its Record is One Marked by Steady Advancement and Unrivalled Success.



DR. GEORGE MORRIS PHILIPS, Principal of the West Chester State Normal School.

**A**N EMERALD cluster, in which five splendid greenstone buildings form the centrepiece, and the setting consists of forty-six acres of picturesque grounds for all out door sports and pastimes, adorns the southern portion of West Chester. It is the property of the State Normal School of the First District, the chief seat of learning in this section.

For a period of twenty-eight years it has prospered, acquiring a wider and more enviable reputation with each passing term.

The honored Principal, Geo. M. Philips, Ph. D., who is widely-known as a lecturer and author, has

devoted the best years of his life to bringing this school to its present state of excellence, and his efforts, aided by those of his faithful colleagues, have been blessed with wonderful success.

People wonder year by year how more could possibly be done, and yet every season sees some new source of pleasure and profit added to the school.

The basis of the following sketch is taken mainly from the Quarto-Centennial History published in 1896, by Dr. Andrew Thomas Smith, who was then Vice-Principal here, but has since been elected Principal of the State Normal School at Mansfield, Pa.

The West Chester Academy, an institution incorporated "for the education of youth in the English and other languages, in the useful arts, sciences and literature," had existed since March 27th, 1812, and on April 29th, 1869, a meeting of its Board of Trustees was held at the office of Mr. Wayne MacVeagh for the purpose of taking the first distinct step toward the establishment of the Normal School in this place.

There were present Joseph J. Lewis, Dr. Wilmer Worthington, John Marshall, Joseph P. Wilson, Joseph Hemphill, J. L. Worthington and Washington Townsend. Hon. James Pyle Wickersham, Superintendent of the School Department of the State, was present by invitation.

Several meetings of the Trustees were held between the above date and August 18th, 1869, when arrangements were made for "a public meeting of the citizens interested in the establishment of a Normal School in West Chester."

This meeting was held in the Court House Monday evening, August 23d, 1869. The gentlemen chosen as a committee to address it were Joseph J. Lewis, Dr. Worthington, and Captain R. T. Cornwell. Favorable resolutions were offered by William Darlington, Esq., and after being earnestly advocated by Captain R. T. Cornwell, William B. Waddell, Esq., Prof. William F. Wyers, Rev. William E. Moore and R. Emmett Monaghan, Esq., were unanimously adopted.

William Darlington, Esq., Samuel R. Shipley, Wayne MacVeagh, Esq., Rev. William E. Moore, Lewis W. Shields, William Apple, Bentley Worth, Jefferson Shamer, Eber Woodward, Colonel Henry



MAIN BUILDING, WEST CHESTER STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

R. Guss, Dr. George Martin, J. J. Parker, Stephen G. Snare, David M. McFarland and Samuel G. Harry were made a committee to confer with the Trustees and contributors to render such aid as might be necessary to carry their proposition and arrangement into execution, and to obtain subscriptions to the stock of the corporation on such terms and conditions as may be deemed advisable to attain the object in view.

This committee of fifteen presented its report to the citizens convened in the Court House, September 9th, 1869. It was agreed that the charter of the Academy should be so modified, if possible, as to allow its being changed into that of a State Normal School of West Chester or vicinity. The property, also was to be handed over to the Normal School, and a joint stock company organized, with shares of \$50 each.

At the first meeting of stockholders, held December 2, 1869, four persons chosen to represent the people in the management of the Normal School Association, were Captain R. T. Cornwell, William S. Kirk, John G. Robison and Lewis W. Shields.

The Trustees of the West Chester Academy were represented in the Normal School Board of Managers by Dr. Wilmer Worthington, C. C. Sellers, John Marshall, and David M. McFarland, appointed at the meeting held January 3d, 1870.

The first meeting of the joint Board of Managers of the Normal School was held in the office of Wayne MacVeagh, January 15th, 1870, at which time Dr. Wilmer Worthington was chosen President and Captain R. T. Cornwell Secretary.

This Board of Managers at once began operations looking toward the purchase of a lot and the erection of suitable buildings for a school. The lot,

finally decided upon April 22d, 1870, was the one owned by Hon. Wayne MacVeagh and originally contained ten acres.

By May 24th, 1870, the resolution, "That we proceed to build the Normal School," was adopted.

Work upon the main building was begun at once, and on September 14th, 1870, the corner stone was laid by Hon. J. P. Wickersham, State Superintendent of Public Schools.

By February 11th, 1871, work on the building was so far advanced that application was made to the Superintendent of Common Schools to make the necessary inspection with the view to having it accepted as a State institution. "Upon this application, a committee was appointed, who on the 22d day of February, 1871, visited the buildings, made the necessary examinations, and reported favorably, whereupon the Superintendent issued his proclamation declaring the institution the State Normal School of the First District."

On May 1st, 1871, the stockholders of the school met and elected a Board of Trustees, consisting of nine men, as follows: Dr. Wilmer Worthington, William S. Kirk, R. T. Cornwell, John G. Robison, William E. Moore, Marshall B. Hickman, William B. Waddell, Esq., Evans Rogers and Josiah Hoopes. The organization of the Board was effected May 6th, 1871, at which time Rev. William E. Moore was chosen President, Captain R. T. Cornwell, Secretary, and Thomas W. Marshall, Treasurer.

By July 20th, 1871, the Trustees had selected Prof. Ezekiel H. Cook as the first Principal of the school. On the 25th of September, 1871, the school was opened amid very auspicious circumstances. The number of boarders enrolled was over

one hundred, and there were thirty day scholars. The total cost of the buildings and grounds was \$91,000.

The present estimated cost of the property is as follows:

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| Original expenditure as above.....                               | \$ 91,000 |
| North wing, built 1878 .....                                     | 25,000    |
| South Wing, built 1882 .....                                     | 35,000    |
| Building containing laundry and museum,<br>1885 .....            | 13,000    |
| Dining room, Chapel and Sanitary Towers,<br>1886-7 .....         | 40,000    |
| Gymnasium, 1890 .....  | 35,000    |
| Principal's residence and Infirmary, 1891-2 .....                | 17,000    |
| Recitation Hall, 1892-3 .....                                    | 70,000    |
| Kitchen and store room, 1893 .....                               | 5,000     |
| Library .....  | 5,000     |
| Heating .....  | 15,000    |
| Furnishings .....  | 25,000    |
| Improvements to land .....                                       | 15,000    |
| Extra four acres of land to north of original<br>lot, 1889 ..... | 9,000     |
| Athletic ground, five acres, and grading,<br>1891 .....          | 5,000     |
| Fair Grounds property, 23 acres, 1895....                        | 14,000    |
| Addition to Fair Grounds property 4 acres,<br>1897 .....         | 1,300     |
| Model School, 1899 .....   | 40,000    |
| Other property that cannot be briefly speci-<br>fied .....       | 26,000    |
| Total .....  | \$486,300 |

Presidents of the Board of Trustees have been:

Monaghan, 1887-88; Alfred P. Reid, Esq., 1888-93; John J. Pinkerton, Esq., 1893-94; Robert T. Cornwell, Esq., 1894-96; John J. Pinkerton, Esq., 1896.

It is a noteworthy fact that in the whole history of the State Normal School there have been but four Principals. Their names are Ezekiel H. Cook, A. M., Ph. D., 1871-72; William A. Chandler, A. M., M. D., 1872-73; George L. Maris, A. M., 1873-81; George Morris Phillips, A. M., Ph. D., 1881.

The first class, graduated in June, 1874, numbered but ten members. Though small in numbers, this was an earnest band, and in no respect have they evinced this more forcibly than in their frequent returns to the school, kept up even to the present time.

Wednesday, June 23d, 1875, marks the beginning of the Alumni Association, formed under the direction of Principal George L. Maris, who had sent forth the first graduating class and was just about to send forth the second. To Dr. George G. Groff, the only gentleman in the Class of 1874, belongs the honor of having first served the organization as President. The total number of graduates in the Elementary Course to date is 1005. In addition to these there are nine graduates in the regular Normal course, and 19 in the Scientific Course. Three State certificates have been granted to those who passed the final examination, but were not in the regular classes.

July 2d, 1896, the first formal steps were taken toward the raising of an Alumni Scholarship Fund, to be used at the discretion of a regularly appointed committee, for the help of such students as show



RECEPTION ROOM, STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, showing Peale's Washington above mantel, Franklin's Clock in corner and Bayard Taylor's portrait on wall.

Rev. William E. Moore, 1871-72; Hon. Wilmer Worthington, 1873-74; Hon. William B. Waddell, 1874-76; George M. Rupert, Esq., 1876-77; Hon. Joseph J. Lewis, 1877-79; Addison May, Esq., 1879-81; Marshall B. Hickman, 1881-87; Hon. Robert E.

sufficient promise and need financial aid to help them to finish their Normal School course. The money is to be loaned in amounts which the committee shall determine, and either without interest or at a low rate of interest, as the committee may



RECITATION HALL, WEST CHESTER STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.



GYMNASIUM, WEST CHESTER STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.



decide. At this business meeting a very encouraging beginning was made by raising \$215, which sum has since been increased to \$600.

In 1897 the Alumni Association was chartered, and in 1899 a constitution was adopted. The present officers are as follows: President, Robert Anderson, '90; Vice-President, F. S. Koons, '90; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Susan C. Lodge, '77; Directors, Addison L. Jones, '81, George A. Sigman, '98; Edwin L. McKinstry, '90.

During the last year the total number of students in attendance was 830, of whom 504 were enrolled both terms. The majority of those who graduate in the Elementary course spend not less than three years as students of the school, though some who have taken good High School courses before entering the Normal, or who have had experience in

That these courses of study are widely recognized, is shown in the fact that last year the enrollment of students represented forty-two counties of Pennsylvania and that students from elsewhere were present in the following numbers:

Delaware, 22; Illinois, 1; Maryland, 11; New Jersey, 7; New York, 3; North Carolina, 2; New Mexico, 1; Ohio, 1; Virginia, 5; China, 3; Cuba, 3; France, 2; India, 1; Jamaica, 3; Mexico, 3; Yucatan, 1.

There is constant and ever increasing demand for the graduates, who are filling many positions of responsibility and in almost every quarter of the globe. The majority are teachers, but many are physicians, attorneys, clergymen, etc. On the Alumni rolls may be found the names of Normal School Principals and teachers, County and Bor-



VIEW OF ATHLETIC GROUNDS WEST CHESTER STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

teaching, are able to complete the work in two years or less. There are others who remain for a term of four years. Very many spend one year in the preparatory classes, the highest of which is known here as the sub-Junior, and then find one year necessary in the Junior Class and one year in the Senior. Opportunities are always offered those who can take advanced work to do so at any time, on condition that they are well qualified in their regular studies.

After completing the Elementary course, graduates are given certificates which authorize them to teach during any two subsequent years, at the end of which time, by producing evidence that they are fitted for permanency in the profession, they may receive diplomas which are good for life.

In one year more they can complete the regular Normal course, which authorizes them to receive diplomas as Bachelors of Pedagogics, or in two years more they may graduate as Bachelors of Science.

ough Superintendents, college professors and others who are in high places. They are an army of diligent workers, all meeting with success which they earn by the steady application of trained force.

All the larger buildings are of green serpentine stone from the quarries in Birmingham. The main building, with its marble trimmings, is 256 by 234 feet, and four stories high, with basement. It contains the Principal's office, the reception room, the boys' assembly room, the library, and the rooms of the students. Near the front entrance is a fine new passenger elevator which runs day and evening. With steam heat, electric light, and perfect sanitary appliances, this building is one of the most admirable in the country.

Adjoining it is a newer building in which the dining room and the chapel are located, with still another annex for the boiler rooms, the electric light plant, the laundry, and the museum. The kitchen is in a new wing, and separated from the main halls.

The Gymnasium, 104 by 64 feet, with an administration building attached, 29 by 36 feet, is a splendid feature of the school. It is two stories in height, and equipped with every improvement, including a full supply of the best apparatus, running track, bath rooms, swimming pool, bowling alleys, ball cage, etc. A thoroughly trained physician and his wife are in charge of the gymnasium, and all exercises is taken under their supervision.

Recitation Hall, 185 by 80 feet, contains two stories and a high basement, used wholly for school purposes. It is heated and ventilated by the Smead-Wills system.

A new Model School has been erected during the present season. It is admirably fitted for its purposes, and at present about two hundred children are accommodated.

The Infirmary, a two-story building, located at a safe distance from the others, is fitted with a number of comfortable rooms, and a trained nurse has her home there.

Among the specially attractive features of the school are the following:

Musical recitals, which are of a high grade and are so arranged that the programmes are enjoyed by large audiences.

The Library, which contains 7,000 of the choicest books of reference and general reading, many of these volumes being used in connection with the regular work in the class room.

The Museum, where the treasures of the old Chester County Cabinet are preserved. Here may be found many rare specimens for the students in natural science, and a classified collection of birds, minerals and plants of this locality.

The annual lecture course and the frequent free lectures which are given by speakers of wide reputation.

The annual trip of the Senior Class to Washington, D. C., occupying three delightful days.

The two Literary Societies—Moore and Aryan—which meet on alternate Saturday evenings and afford the students an opportunity to become accustomed to appear in public.

The Amulet, a bright school magazine which is published monthly, and to which the students may contribute.

The Christian Temperance League, the Young Women's Christian Association, and the White Shield League, in which work of a religious character is done.

The Athletic Association, which conducts a meet every year, and stimulates the playing of outdoor games.

The Chester County Geological Club, of which Prof. C. B. Cochran, State Chemist, is President, has many members from the school and the town, and frequent trips are made into the neighboring country in search of specimens.

The Darlington Botanical Club, with Dr. S. C. Schmucker, the popular institute instructor in natural history, at its head. This organization, like the Geological Club, holds regular meetings and occasional field days.

Wayne Field, on which there is a splendid bicycle track, a running track and a base ball diamond, and an abundance of space for other sports.

For the present year the enrollment of students is larger than during any previous season, and the faculty has been strengthened by the addition of several members who are excellent teachers. Never before did loyalty to the school and determination on the part of every one to do good work and make it count in the right direction, manifest itself as in this term.

The faculty is as follows

G. M. Phillips, Ph. D., Principal.  
Wallace P. Dick, A. M., Vice Principal, Greek and Pedagogy.

D. M. Samsenig, M. S., Higher Mathematics.  
C. E. Cochran, A. M., Physical Science.

Elvira Y. Speakman, Geography and Spelling.

Francis H. Green, A. M., English.

C. E. Ehinger, M. D., Physical Training.

Charlotte N. Hardee, B. Mus., Mus.c.

Esther M. Groome, Drawing.

S. C. Schmucker, Ph. D., Biological Science.

Smith Burnham, A. M., History.

Cora E. Everett, Reading.

Foster H. Starkey, A. M., Latin.

Addison L. Jones, M. E., Principal Model School.

Henry H. Goddard, Ph. D., Pedagogy.

Lydia A. Martin, M. E., Mathematics.

Mrs. A. M. Samsenig, M. E., Mathematics.

Sara S. Kirk, M. E., English.

Mrs. C. E. Ehinger, Physical Training.

Robert Anderson, A. M., Mathematics.

Wm. S. Delp, B. S., Bookkeeping and Mathematics.

Anna P. Esler, M. E., Common Branches.

Elizabeth F. Criley, M. E., Mathematics.

Jenny H. Heath, Music.

T. C. Cherry, Mathematics and English.

Carl G. Schrader, Physical Training.

Harriet Baldwin, English.

Ada Cornwell, M. E., Physical Training.

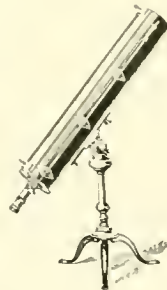
William N. Hendrickson, Manual Training.

Alice Cochran, Librarian.

H. Clifford Garratt, Secretary.

Geo. L. Hoffman, Bookkeeper.

Isaac W. Swinburn, Study Hall.



WAYNE'S TELESCOPE

# MEN IN HIGH POSITION.

Those Called to Fill Places of Honor at Home and Elsewhere.

**I**F the political history of West Chester were written, it would fill a volume as large as Webster's dictionary, and perhaps then it would not be more than half told.

When the Borough of West Chester was given birth, politics and politicians had not developed, and consequently had not degenerated to condition in which they are found to-day. In fact, there were but two political parties—the Federal party, the party of George Washington and Alexander Hamilton, and the Republican party, the party of Thomas Jefferson. The voting population of the town did not then exceed 100, and, inasmuch as it was not considered a place of very much importance, it was only at intervals that it was stirred by the voice of a campaign orator. During the earlier days of the town, the Federal party passed out of existence, and the Republican party gradually changed its name to the Democratic party. Prior to the election of President Jackson, the Democratic party split, one branch continuing under the old name, and the other developing into the Whig party. Jackson having been a Federal, he was naturally very popular in this section, and when he ran for President he carried West Chester by a clever vote. The borough had then grown to a place of some size, and the Whigs were the predominating party, being in the majority to the extent of about one hundred votes.

When the town was young and yet quite innocent, politics were not injected into the local government. It was customary to call a town meeting for the election of a Chief Burgess. This meeting was first held in the Court House and later in Cabinet Hall, and all the male citizens of the town were eligible. When a candidate was nominated, his supporters would raise their hands, while tellers would pass through the hall making a count. Finally these town meetings became a farce, because of the fact that oftentimes a candidate would be counted out upon a close vote.

Finding themselves in a large majority in this borough, the Republicans eventually concluded to assume control of the local government. Back in 1877 a meeting of the Republicans was called, at which the late Judge William B. Waddell presided. A committee was appointed to draft rules governing a primary election for the nomination of candidates for the borough offices. It provided that an executive committee in each of the four wards should select ten names, five of whom should be elected the executive committee for the ensuing year. This same committee was also required to select twenty names as candidates for delegates to the Borough Convention, and it was customary for these forty delegates to meet and select the nominees without instructions. Some years later the practice was changed and thereafter everybody voted instructions at the primaries. Early in the '90's the town, having grown to such a great extent, was divided into nine precincts, and the Republican Committee

changed the rules and provided for the election of three members for an Executive Committee and five persons for delegates.

Although the old Whig party passed out of existence away back before the Rebellion, its adherents are yet in control of the town under the name of the Republican party, and, judging from their majority, they likely will be for generations to come. It was here—right in the Court House—that the Republican party of Chester county was organized in 1855.

It was well along in the century, perhaps in the '40's, that West Chester witnessed much lively campaigning and many of the older citizens can recall the demonstrations of the supporters of the respective tickets. It was not an unusual thing to witness long processions of ox teams, with the wagons gaudily decorated, and the multitudes bubbling over with enthusiasm, and giving vent to the stirring campaign songs written for such occasions. These processions were eventually supplanted by the Wide-Awakes, and the fun and frolic upon the occasion of torchlight processions were indeed a treat for old and young. Even the torchlight procession has passed away, and now we have nothing but plain, ordinary speech-making, but plenty of it.

## THE TOWN'S CHIEF BURGESSES.

1799—William Sharpless was the first Chief Burgess of West Chester, he having served during the year indicated. He was a merchant by occupation, and a Friend in religion. His domicile was what is now known as the old Jeffers building, on High street, opposite the Court House. He was the grandfather of Philip P. Sharpless, the oldest native resident of this place, and of Alfred, his brother. That he made a capable and popular official, is evidenced by the number of times that he was elected to the post.

1800—Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller served in this year. He never held a diploma or certificate from a medical college, and yet the Doctor had such a knowledge of the human anatomy that he served as a surgeon in the Revolutionary War. He lived at the northwest corner of Church and Gay streets.

1801—Philip Derriek, the Chief Burgess of this year, was a book and job printer who moved here from Philadelphia. He published the Literary Magazine as early as 1795. This journal was about the size of Harper's, and was the first of the kind ever published in Chester county.

1802—Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller.

1803—Richard M. Hannum, whose term as Chief Burgess extended through this year, was a son of Col. John Hannum, the founder of West Chester. He was at one time Recorder of Deeds of Chester county. He married a sister of the grandmother of Charles H. Pennypacker, and a few years after his term as Chief Burgess he migrated to Kentucky.

1804-5—Joshua Weaver was a surveyor and conveyancer, and was the grandfather of Dr. W. D

Hartman. He lived on Gay street where Parker's store now stands.

1806—William Bennett was a farmer by occupation, and owned a large tract in what is now the western end of town. A grandson is yet living here in the person of ex-Councilman Fred D. Reid.

1807—William Sharpless.

1808—Zunior Bradley was a farmer, surveyor and conveyancer, and was the father of Caleb H. Bradley, who is a well-known figure about town.

1809—George Worth.

1810—Joshua Weaver.

1811—William Sharpless.

1812-13—Jacob Ehrenzeller.

1814—Joseph McClellan was an officer in the Revolutionary Army. He was the father of James D. McClellan, one of the older residents of this place.

1815-17—Daniel Hiester was an officer of the National Bank of Chester County. By profession he was a conveyancer. A son-in-law, Caleb H. Bradley, resides here at the present time.

1818-24—Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller.

1825—Ziba Pyle was a lawyer, and was the father of the late B. F. Pyle, Esq. He lived on West Gay street, and entertained General Lafayette upon the occasion of the latter's visit to West Chester.

1826—Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller.

1827-30—Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller.

1831-33—Thomas S. Bell, who became a Judge of the Courts of Chester County, and one of the Associate Justices of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania. A daughter, Mrs. Cliff, Hemphill, resides here at the present time.

1834-35—William Williamson was a lawyer and lived upon Gay street. A daughter, Elizabeth Williamson, now lives upon South High Street.

1836-37—William Everhart was a merchant, and the father of the late Congressman James B. Everhart, as well as of Dr. John R. Everhart and Benjamin M. Everhart, both of whom are well-known residents.

1838—Thomas S. Bell.

1839-43—Joseph J. Lewis was a lawyer of prominence, and lived in the dwelling adjoining the Roman Catholic Church on the east. He was the father of Charlton T. Lewis, of New York, and the grandfather of Mrs. Richard G. Park.

1844—William Williamson.

1845-46—Uriah V. Pennypacker was a lawyer, and lived in the dwelling on East Gay street now occupied by George Way. He was the father of Charles H. Pennypacker, Esq., and enjoyed the distinction of being the tallest man in the county, his height being 6 feet 7 inches. Verily, there were giants in those days.

1847—William Darlington was a lawyer, and a member of the Constitutional Conventions of 1837 and 1853. He was the father of Mrs. L. G. McCauley and Mrs. Jerome B. Gray.

1848-1849—Uriah V. Pennypacker.

1850—Francis James was a lawyer and member of Congress from this district. He has no lineal descendants living.

1851—James H. Bull is a lawyer and resides on North High street. He at one time occupied the office of District Attorney.

1852-54—Townsend Eachus was a brick manufacturer and builder. A son, Townsend Eachus, is well known here, and a grandson, Harry Eachus, is one of the business men of this place.

1855-57—Joseph P. Wilson was a well-known lawyer, and his daughter, Mrs. R. J. Monaghan, resides at this day at the old homestead on South Walnut street.

1858—Francis Parke was a lawyer, and was a man well known and highly esteemed in the community.

1859-60—William B. Waddell was a lawyer, and is yet remembered by all the people of this community. He served as Judge of the Courts of this county for a period of years, and died at his home on North High street not more than two years ago.

1861—Henry S. Evans was the publisher of the Village Record, and resided on South Church street in the large mansion which stood upon the site of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. He also served the county as a State Senator.

1862-65—William Darlington.

1866—Wayne MacVeagh was a lawyer of distinction, and while here served as a District Attorney. Reference to Mr. MacVeagh appears elsewhere in this article.



BURGESS C. W. TALBOT.

1867-77—Jefferson Shaner was a manufacturer, and is now a farmer in West Goshen township. Everybody knows "Jeff." He made a good Chief Burgess, and later served as a member of Council.

1878—Seneca G. Willauer was at that time a banker, and is now the Inspector of the Soldiers' Orphans Schools of the State.

1879-85—Dr. J. B. Wood was a well-known Homoeopathic physician, and resided at the corner of High and Washington streets. He carried out the ordinances as he found them, and strictly insisted upon the preservation of the peace and good order of the town.

1886-96—Marshall S. Way, a broker and conveyancer, occupied the office of Chief Burgess during this period, and served his constituents faithfully and well. He continues to reside here, and is one of the town's substantial business men.

1897-98—C. Wesley Talbot, a member of the Chester County Bar, and for a number of years the President of the Board of School Directors. Mr. Talbot has made one of the most progressive, up-to-date Burgesses the town has ever had; he has en-

forced all good ordinances, and caused many new ones to be enacted, and has always had an eye single to the interests of his constituents.

#### THE FIRST ELECTION.

The first local election was held in the Court House on May 6, 1799. Of course, everybody was very much interested, and there was a full attendance of the male citizens of the brand-new Borough of West Chester. When the ballots were counted, it showed the following as having been elected to the respective offices, William Sharpless having been chosen Chief Burgess by reason of his having received the highest number of votes, while Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller, his opponent, was declared the Burgess (or First Assistant to the Chief):

#### BURGESS.

William Sharpless ..... 40  
Jacob Ehrenzeller ..... 22

#### ASSISTANT BURGESSES.

John Rankin ..... 59  
William Bennett ..... 49  
Richard Jacobs ..... 41  
Thomas Hoopes ..... 39  
Joshua Gibbons ..... 30

#### CLERK.

Joshua Weaver ..... 52

#### HIGH CONSTABLE.

William Jones ..... 21

Following this election, William Sharpless appeared before John Graves, a Justice of the Peace at that time, and subscribed to the prescribed oath.

Mr. Sharpless in turn administered to Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller the oath of a Burgess, and to John Rankin, William Bennett, Richard Jacobs, Thomas Hoopes and Joshua Gibbons the oath of Assistant Burgesses while Joshua Weaver, and William Jones were subsequently sworn in as Clerk and High Constable, respectively. The first official action of the Burgesses after organization was the passage of an ordinance establishing streets, lanes and alleys of the borough, "to prevent nuisances."

#### BOROUGH OFFICERS OF TO-DAY.

In this connection, the borough officers of the present day are given below, the reader noting that the offices of Assistant Burgesses have passed out of existence and are supplanted by Councilmen:

Burgess—C. Wesley Talbot.

Borough Council—L. Roberts Comfort (President), John Thorp, John P. McBride, Benj. E. Heston, Fred. Hood, Ed. H. Brown, Joseph N. Marshall.

Clerk of Council—Capt. W. S. Underwood.

Borough Treasurer and Tax Collector—Capt. W. S. Underwood.

Street Commissioner—Abner M. Eachus.

Water Superintendent—Evan Mercer.

Constables—Theo. F. Turner, Jas. E. McFarlan.  
Police Force—Robert O. Jefferis (Chief), James Finn, Jacob C. Farra, Thomas Pinegan, John Entekin, Joseph Battin, Abram Smith.

By virtue of an Act of Assembly passed three years ago, the term of Burgess is extended from one to three years, and he is made ineligible to succeed himself.

#### DISTINGUISHED POLITICIANS.

During her existence of one hundred years West Chester has produced many distinguished politi-

cians, some of whom subsequently became statesmen of National reputation, and a few of them are referred to in this article.

Conspicuous among them was General Isaac D. Barnard, an officer in the War of 1812, who served a term as United States Senator from the State of Pennsylvania. General Barnard was a lawyer of distinction, and it is probable that there are many of his descendants living here to-day. In politics he was a Democrat, and at one time was a formidable candidate for Governor of Pennsylvania, but is said to have been defeated for the nomination through the intrigue of an enemy at home.

Joseph J. Lewis, in his day a prominent member of the Chester County Bar, also won National distinction, serving under President Abraham Lincoln as the United States Commissioner of Internal Revenue. His son, Charlton T. Lewis, Esq., resides in New York city, and was selected as the orator upon the occasion of the Centennial celebration.

Hon. Wayne MacVeagh, who is alive and yet a prominent figure in the eyes of the Nation, was in his earlier life a member of the Chester County Bar and a factor in politics. Years after leaving West Chester he was chosen Attorney-General of the United States, which office he filled with marked ability. He had previously been honored with an appointment as Minister to Turkey and subsequently was Ambassador to Italy.

Among the Congressmen furnished by West Chester were Francis James, who was elected on the anti-Masonic ticket; Dr. William Darlington, Charles Miner, John Hickman, Washington Townsend, James B. Everhart, Smedley Darlington and Thomas S. Butler.

It was during the Darlington-Everhart campaign of 1886 that the Republican party in Chester county was disrupted, and for several years the two factions were known by the names of their respective leaders. Mr. Everhart had twice been elected to Congress, but in 1886 he was defeated for the nomination by Mr. Darlington by a majority of one vote. The fight was so extremely bitter that Mr. Everhart and his followers bolted and carried it on to the general election, where Mr. Darlington won as the Republican nominee. Since that time the Republican party has been divided in twain, except at Presidential elections, the Darlington faction having become known as the Stalwarts and the Everhart faction as the Independent (or anti-McClure) wing. The conspicuous local leaders of the former are Major L. G. McCauley and T. L. Eyre, and of the Independent Republicans Thos. Hoopes, a well-known manufacturer, and John J. Gheen, a member of the Bar.

Judge Edward Paxson, late of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, spent his earlier life here, and was a printer boy at the office of the Village Record.

Thomas S. Bell, whose name appears in the list of Chief Burgesses, was for a long period Judge of the Courts here, an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court, and a State Senator.

Henry S. Evans was a power in politics years ago, and served the county as a State Senator. Other well-known Senators from this place were William Williamson, William B. Waddell (who was years later elected Judge) and James B. Everhart.

Hon. William Butler, who now lives a retired life

at his pretty home on North High street, was a jurist of distinction. When a young man he was elected District Attorney in this county, a few years later Judge of the Courts, and finally he was appointed Judge of the United States District Court Philadelphia, where he won an enviable reputation.

The town now furnishes the State with an Auditor-General and prospective candidate for Gov-

ernor in the person of Major Levi G. McCauley, who is perhaps known by nearly everybody in the entire Commonwealth.

There are scores of others, living and dead, who figured prominently in the politics of West Chester during its history, but to write of all of them would perhaps occupy more space than the average reader cares to peruse.

## WEST CHESTER'S BANKS AND BANKERS.

Where her People Meet for Financial Business.



NATIONAL BANK OF CHESTER COUNTY.

**T**HE financial history of West Chester would make an endless tale. This has long been known as a wealthy town, and much money has been handled here. At present there are three National Banks and several private firms which save and loan money.

### NATIONAL BANK OF CHESTER COUNTY.

The National Bank of Chester County is often called the "old white bank," because it is the oldest financial institution in the county, and is built of white marble. At the Session of the Legislature of

Pennsylvania in 1813-14, an act was passed authorizing the establishment of forty-one new banks in the State, including one for Chester county.

The Commissioners for taking the stock, named in the act for the "Bank of Chester," were Dr. William Darlington, John W. Cunningham, Jesse John, James Kelton, Joseph Taylor, Henry Chrisman, Matthey Stanley, and Joshua Evans, Jr. Henry Chrisman declined to serve, and the Court appointed Joseph Pearce in his stead. Books for the subscription of stock were opened June 8, 1814, at West Chester, Downingtown, Paoli, New Lon-

don and Cochranville, some of the Commissioners attending at each place. The necessary amount of capital, 4500 shares at \$50 each, was promptly taken. The charter was obtained August 2d, 1814, and a meeting of the stockholders held at the Court House on September 8th, 1814, when the following persons were chosen as the first Board of Directors: Jesse Mercer, Jesse John, Joseph Taylor, Charles Rogers, Daniel Heister, Joseph McClellan, James Kelton, Dr. William Darlington, John W. Townsend, Jesse Good, Isaac Darlington, Joshua Weaver and James Jefferis. On the next day the Board organized and appointed Joseph McClellan President and Daniel Heister Cashier of the bank.

At the northwest corner of Market and High streets at that time stood a little building, which was used for those county offices not provided for in the Court House, and in this building a second-story room was secured for the bank, and business was begun Nov. 11, 1814. The second Board of Directors was elected Nov. 21st, 1814, and consisted of Joseph McClellan, Jesse Mercer, Jesse John, Dr. William Darlington, Charles Rogers, David Dickey, Isaac Darlington, Jesse Good, Thomas Hoopes, Joseph Taylor, John W. Townsend, Thomas Worth and David Townsend.

At that time West Chester was such an obscure place that the Directors thought it best to state on the face of the circulating notes that the bank was "between Philadelphia and Lancaster." That money began coming in, however, is evidenced by this early record, which is found on the minutes of December 2d, 1817, "Resolved, That Isaac Smedley and Thomas Hoopes be authorized to procure an iron chest." At the same meeting a committee was chosen to cast about for a new home for the institution, which was in a fair way to prosper long.

In January, 1818, it was resolved to purchase or build a banking house the ensuing year. Shortly afterward the committee appointed to look out for a site for a banking house was directed to offer William P. Townsend \$500 for a lot of 40 feet front on Gay street, at the corner of Walnut, a lot which is opposite the Eagle Hotel, and is now occupied by John F. McBride.

January 20, 1818, the Board agreed to erect a banking house on a lot of ground immediately north of the present bank building, on North High street, which they contracted to purchase from William Townsend, who at that time owned lots fronting on High street, and also on Gay, but the project was not carried out. In March of the same year they purchased of Nathan H. Sharpless a house and lot opposite the Court House, for \$5250, and the building was fitted up for a banking house and a residence for the cashier. The repairs cost \$1426.19.

Nathan Sharpless inherited this lot from his father, who died in 1817. William Sharpless and William Hemphill were the next neighbors there, and they died within a week of each other, in the Fall of 1817.

November 22, 1819, the salary of the President, who heretofore had served without pay, was fixed at \$100 per annum. In April of the same year an agreement was made with the corporation of West Chester by which the bank agreed to pay \$50 per annum toward a night watchman, provided the corporation place the sentry box on the corner of the bank pavement. The box was of boards and six-

sided, with a little stove in the enclosure. The old building, from the rapid advance of the business of the bank, becoming in a few years too contracted, the Directors purchased the property belonging to the estate of William Hemphill, deceased, adjoining their banking house on the north, and in the Summer of 1835 commenced the erection of the present substantial and commodious building, which was completed in March, 1837. The entire cost of the building was about \$30,000. The old building is now used for offices.

The capital stock of the bank had been increased from time to time until it amounted to \$300,000. In 1843, however, it was reduced to \$225,000 and the par value fixed at \$25 per share.

On December 23, 1847, Dr. Darlington, the President, while in the railroad depot in Philadelphia, on his way home after making the exchanges of the bank, was robbed of his valise, containing \$51,000 of the circulating notes of the bank. A reward of \$500 was at once offered. The robbers were subsequently arrested and convicted, and the greater portion of the stolen money recovered.

In 1874 the interior of the bank was entirely remodeled and made more convenient, and fire and burglar-proof safes placed therein, the whole at a cost of \$10,000.

In 1864 the old charter, which had been renewed and extended, was surrendered to the State and the bank organized under the laws of the United States as "The National Bank of Chester County."

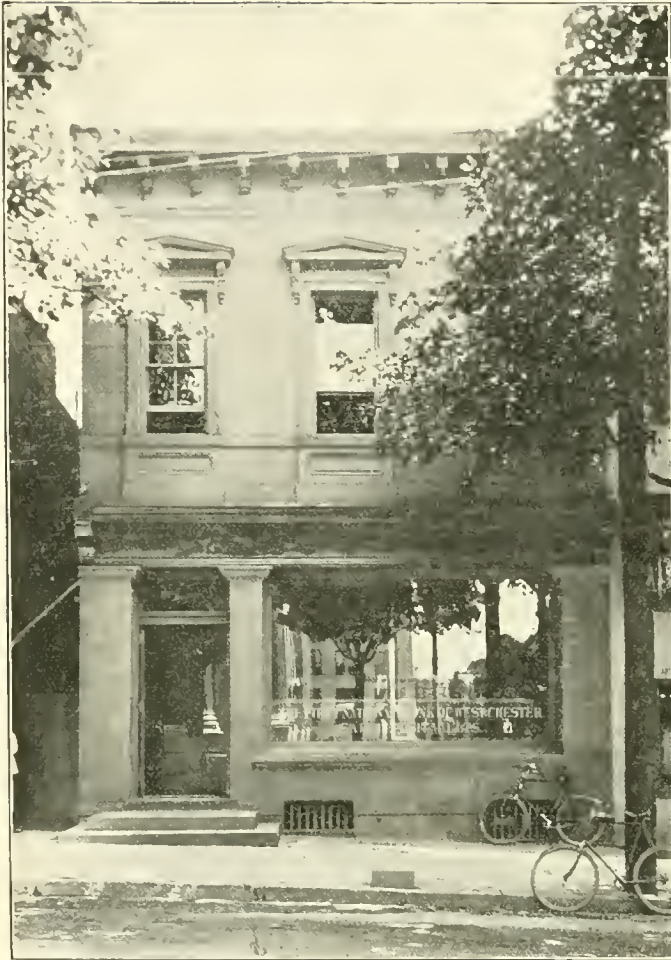
The following persons have filled the office of President: Col. Joseph McClellan, 1814-1816 and 1817-1819; James M. Gibbons, 1816-1817; Richard Thomas, Jr., 1819, until his death, in 1830; Dr. William Darlington, 1830 until his death in 1863; John Marshall, 1863, until his death in 1873; Walter Hibbard, 1873-1879; Washington Townsend, 1879 until his death in 1894; William P. Marshall, 1894.

This is the present Board of Directors: J. Preston Thomas, Wm. F. Dowdall, Edwin James, Thos. S. Chambers, Thomas Hoopes, Joshua E. Hibberd, George M. Phillips, Thomas W. Marshall, D. M. McFarland, William P. Sharpless, Wm. P. Marshall.

The Cashier is I. Cary Carver.

#### FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WEST CHESTER.

In December, 1863, the First National Bank of West Chester was organized, and in 1864 it commenced business with a capital of \$100,000, which in the same year was increased to \$200,000. The first Directors were George Brinton, William Wollerton, David Woelper, Joseph Hemphill, Wellington Hickman, William Chalfant, Andrew Mitchell, Robert Parke and J. Smith Futhy. The business of the bank was for a time transacted in the house then belonging to David Meconkey, immediately north of the Bank of Chester County, but in the same year a lot was purchased from James D. McClellan, on High street, and a banking house erected thereon, into which the business was removed in March, 1865. George Brinton was the first President and held the position until January 15, 1869, when he declined a further election and was succeeded by William Wollerton, who served until his death, April 28, 1898, when Alfred P. Reid, Esq., was



FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF WEST CHESTER.

elected his successor. The Board of Directors now consists of the following: F. W. Wollerton, William Chalfant, Francis Jacobs, Marshall H. Matlack, S. E. Nivin, L. C. Moses, Thomas Pennypacker, A. P. Reid, B. S. Walton, M. S. Way.

The Cashier is F. W. Wollerton.

#### FARMERS' NATIONAL BANK.

The Farmers' National Bank of West Chester was incorporated in 1883, with a capital stock of \$100,000. Its Presidents have been Samuel Butler, H. B. Buckwalter, and Albert P. Hall, who is now in office. The business is conducted in the building on the southwest corner of High and Market streets, purchased of Smedley Darlington, in 1887. William Dowlin is Cashier. The original Board of Directors consisted of Samuel Butler, J. Mitchell Baker, H. B. Buckwalter, Smedley Darlington, Francis J. Darlington, Robert F. Hoopes, Charles Paiste, Dr. Jacob Rickabaugh, S. S. Young.

At present the Board embraces the names of A. P. Hall, R. T. Hoopes, Levi G. McCauley, Thos. W.

Baldwin, Jesse Darlington, John E. Huey, H. P. Worth, Samuel R. Downing, J. Hibberd Bartram.

#### THE DIME SAVINGS BANK OF CHESTER COUNTY.

This bank was chartered by the State of Pennsylvania, April 22d, 1890.

It was organized under the provision of the Act of May 20th, 1889, intended for the encouragement of saving money.

It receives deposits in all amounts ranging from ten cents to five thousand dollars, and pays interest at the rate of 3 per centum per annum on all amounts from \$2, upwards, remaining on deposit for three months or longer.

The interest due to depositors is calculated at the end of each calendar year, and is credited to the various accounts bearing interest. That interest may be withdrawn, or it may remain on deposit. If allowed to remain, it draws interest at the above named rate, and in that manner the advantage of compound interest may be obtained.

Owing to the fact that this bank began its operations at the time the public schools adopted the system of School Savings, an impression prevailed that it restricted its operation to deposits of that class, or deposits of limited amount, a totally erroneous impression, as under the provisions of the law, a depositor may make deposits to the amount of \$5000, independent of interest accumulations.

As the scope of purposes of the bank have become known to the public its operations have increased to a marked degree. It has issued about 7700 bank books, and has at the present time nearly 5000 open accounts. Its invested funds at the present time amount to about \$335,000. The Act of Assembly designates the form of investment it may make, and restricts it to the safest classes.

It has a Board of Trustees consisting of 21 prominent and careful business men of this county. An Executive Committee of seven members, formed from the general board, is charged with the active management of the affairs of the bank and no loan can be made unless a majority of that committee approve the same.

The purpose of the organization being the encouragement of saving money, it strives to aid those who borrow its funds to diminish their indebtedness by accepting from them a payment on account of the principal moneys of the loan, in such amounts and at such times as may suit the borrower, a feature that has served to make it popular with that class of borrowers who can give the fullest security. Its growth within the last two years has



been such as to indicate its popularity alike with the depositor and the borrower, and gives promise that its aggregate of deposits will reach large proportions at no distant date.

Following is a list of the Board of Directors in 1899:

President, Alfred P. Reid, Esq.; First Vice-President, William P. Marshall; Second Vice-President, Thomas E. Parke, M. D., Downingtown; Board of Trustees, R. T. Cornwell, Esq., I. J. Brower, Davis W. Enriken, Lewis C. Moses, J. Preston Thomas, William P. Marshall, J. Comly Hall, Samuel D. Ramsey, Esq., Arthur T. Parke, Esq., Alfred P. Reid, Esq., Hon. Plummer E. Jefferis, Michael J. Murphy, Thomas E. Parke, M. D., Henry C. Baldwin, J. Frank E. Hause, Esq., Rev. Joseph S. Evans, George Morris Phillips, Addison L. Jones, Elisha G. Cloud.

The Cashier is John A. Rupert.

#### CHESTER COUNTY TRUST AND SAFE DEPOSIT COMPANY.

In the early seventies Smedley Darlington organized the Chester County Guarantee, Safe Deposit and Trust Company, which flourished until 1897, when it passed into the hands of Receivers. At present its affairs are in litigation. Its home was in the Farmers' National Bank Building.

#### BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATION.

The West Chester Building and Loan Association has been the means of saving \$973,000 to the people of West Chester in the past 29 years. The average savings have been about \$33,550 per annum. Total receipts have been \$1,014,801.96.

In 1870 the Association was organized with the following officers:

President, James H. Naylor; Secretary, Thomas Harlan; Treasurer, John F. Ingram; Directors, William Welsh, T. P. Apple, Henry C. Baldwin, James D. Burns, George Kerr, Evans Rogers, John G. Robison, Thomas T. Smith, Thomas Townsend.

The auditors who made out the annual report for the first year were Charles Fairlamb, Jackson Sergeant and Paul F. Whitehead.

During the first year the number of shares of stock subscribed was 1300, and the amount of money loaned was \$19,000. Last year the number of shares subscribed was 4300, and the amount of money loaned was \$36,000. This year is even more promising.

The earnings annually have been from 3 to 11 1-2 per cent., and for the past thirteen years they have averaged 7 1-2 per cent. In only one did they go as low as 3 per cent, and that was on account of a heavy loss on one of the properties. Last year the earnings were 8 1-10 per cent.

At its meetings, which are held in Smith's Hall every month, dues are paid to the amount of about \$5000 at a session.

The foregoing statistics are taken from a file of annual reports carefully preserved by Henry C. Baldwin, who for a long time has been a Director.

According to the last annual report it is shown that in January, 1899, there were 290 borrowers and 367 loans, the number of shareholders being 638. The total receipts for the year were \$92,700.

These are the officers:

President, Plummer E. Jefferis; Secretary, William C. Husted; Treasurer, William Dowling; Directors, Michael J. Murphy, Barclay Lear, William J. Hopewell, Henry C. Baldwin, A. D. Sharples, Bernard Finegan, George W. Kearney, Thomas T. Smith, Joseph Kift, Jr., Auditors, Harry S. Johnson, Joseph T. Harkness.

#### OTHER BANKS.

The Brandywine Bank, which was organized in 1871, conducted business four years at the southwest corner of High and Market streets, an assignment being made at the end of that time.

In 1869 E. D. Haines & Co. began business on North High street, where the work is still carried on under the management of Joseph T. Murtagh.

David M. McFarland has been in business as a banker since his youth.

Pyle & Brown were occupied financially for many years, but in the Spring of 1899 the firm was dissolved, Thomas B. Brown assuming possession, and Almer Pyle, his former partner retiring.



FARMERS' NATIONAL BANK.

# NAMES OF OUR STREETS.

Their Origin Suggests Many Facts in Local History.

**I**N THE early days of West Chester's history nobody thought of naming the street he or his neighbor lived on. It was a town only in name. The incorporated area was just then as it is now, but the most of it was farm land. High street was known as the Wilmington road, and Gay street as the Old Mill road. This latter thoroughfare crossed through the borough limits on very nearly the line it now occupies, and west of the town turned toward the southwest and reached the Brandywine at Jefferis' Bridge. In its course it passed between the sites of the house and barn of Edward James, and near there stood the Old Mill, from which it took its name.

High street, completed the plot of the borough streets.

Lots on Gay street were sold running through to South street, which served about the same purpose that a back alley would now. It was called South street because it lay south of Gay street.

Why Walnut and Chestnut street received the names they have always borne is uncertain. Whether there were trees of those varieties growing along their lines, or whether, as has been suggested, they were so named because the near-by city of Philadelphia had streets of those names and West Chester wished to ape her, we can not say. The four squares embraced within the compass of the



DR. PHILIPS' RESIDENCE, AT STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

When and how the portion of it within the borough limits came to be known as Gay street we have not been able to learn.

High street is supposed to have been so named because it passed over the highest land within the borough limits.

Very early in the history of the town Chestnut street was opened one square east from High and a like distance west. Market street, then known as South street, was opened in a like manner, one square each way from High. Church street on the west and Walnut on the east, running parallel with

streets named was all there was of West Chester within the memory of some persons now living.

## THE EVERHART ADDITION.

After Wm. Everhart bought the Wollerton farm, about 1831, he opened out streets and sold lots. Church street was then extended south to Barnard. Miner and Barnard were opened west from High. South street was extended west to the jail, and Darlington street was opened.

Church street was so named because it was on it, a short distance below Market, that the congrega-



UNION STREET, EAST FROM WAYNE.

tion of the First Baptist Church had its first place of worship. The lot was afterward sold to George Fitzsimmons, who erected two houses on it.

When South street was extended west to where New street now is, by Mr. Everhart, he wanted a market house located on it, and contended that the street was of ample width. He had built the block of business places which still stands on the southwest corner of Church and Market streets, but the north line of the street as opened by him ran about twelve feet south of the southern limit of the lots that fronted on Gay street. It was supposed that Mr. Everhart thought the property owners would buy their way out. Instead of doing that a stand was taken by them and those who represented their interests in the Borough Council against the erection of the market house unless the street was widened. The buildings were already erected on the south side, and to get the market house the street had to be widened until it reached the property line of the Gay street owners. Mr. Everhart bowed to the inevitable, got his market house, and with it the name of the street was forever fixed as Market instead of South street.

#### NAMES EASILY ACCOUNTED FOR.

Wm. Everhart named Miner street for Charles Miner, a distinguished citizen of the borough. Barnard street he named for General Isaac D. Barnard, Darlington street he named for Dr. William Darlington. Union street was so named because it was the road taken for Unionville. New street was laid out several years after Darlington, Miner and Barnard, and probably from that fact it took the name of New street.

These various streets were extended from time to time as the town grew.

The next considerable addition to the streets of the town came with the cutting up of the Matlack estate a few years later. David Townsend, father

of Hon. Washington Townsend, as assignee of Jesse Matlack, sold a number of lots, and about that time Matlack street was opened from Gay street north probably to Marshall street. It was named for Robert Matlack, a former owner of the land. It was subsequently extended southward and retained its name.

Washington street, running east and west, one square north of Chestnut, was opened about the same time and named for General Washington.

Biddle street is believed to have taken its name from one of the property owners on its line.

#### A NAME CHANGED.

Fayette street was formerly Lafayette and was named after General Lafayette, the distinguished Frenchman who served in the Revolutionary War, and was wounded at the Battle of Brandywine. The name on the old maps of the borough is given LaFayette, and it is said to have been changed without any proper warrant, ordinance or authority.

Ashbridge street took its name from George G. Ashbridge, who owned property along its line.

Marshall street took its name from the fact that it skirts the northern border of Marshall Square, which was named for the distinguished botanist, Humphrey Marshall.

#### OTHER STREETS.

Patton avenue, which of late has become a very pretty thoroughfare, is the terminus of the old Boot road. It was named Patton avenue in honor of John Patton, but with no very apparent reason, as he, although a land owner within the borough limits, did not own any land on the avenue so far as we have been able to learn.

Hannum avenue is the West Chester terminus of the Strasburg road, and was named Hannum avenue in honor of Colonel John Hannum, the founder of West Chester.

Franklin street has been supposed to have taken its name from some of the purchasers of property from the Matlack estate. If that is not the solution of it, then most likely somebody had Benjamin Franklin in mind.

Adams street was probably named for President John Quincy Adams, Penn street for William Penn and Bolmar street for Professor Bolmar, who formerly conducted Bolmar's Academy.

Price street was named in honor of Philip Price, and Sharpless street was named for the Sharpless family, who have for many years been real estate owners in the southwestern section of the town.

Dean street was named by Philip P. Sharpless in honor of William Dean.

Wayne street was so named in honor of General Anthony Wayne and Brandywine street took its name from the creek which traverses the county about two miles west of the town.

Nields street was named for Cheyney Nields, uncle of the late Lieutenant Nields.

Lacey street took its name from J. Lacey Darlington, who owned a farm near by.

Rosedale avenue and Linden street are fancy names without any special significance, so far as we can learn.



MINER STREET, WEST FROM NEW

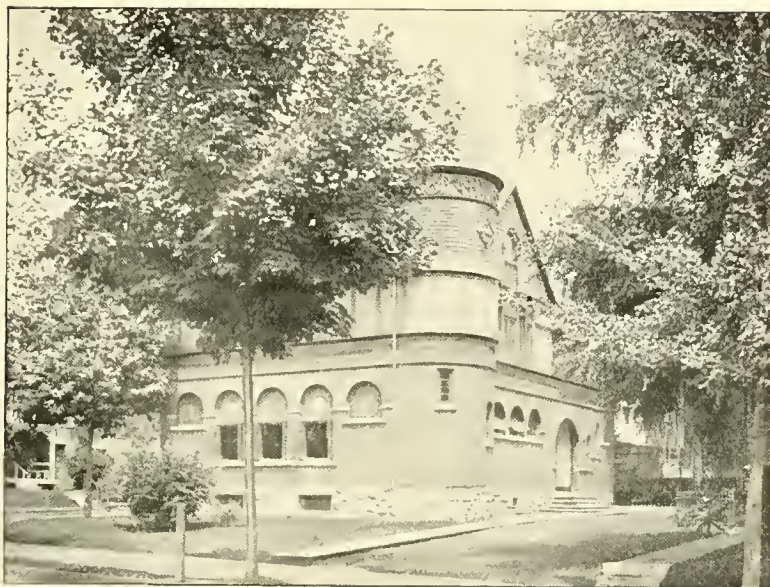
## AMONG THE BOOKS.

### Trials and Triumphs of the West Chester Public Library—Its Collections.

**I**N ALL West Chester, from Virginia avenue to the Normal School, from Thumb Latch Row to Quigleyville, there is not an institution which is more fully appreciated or which has caused more heart burnings than the Public Library.

Situated on North Church street, away from the bustle of the business portions of the town, it has a most tranquil and reposeful appearance, and in its artistically appointed reading room there is nothing to hint of conflict. Yet its history during the past summer has been one of change and uncertainty.

From a public subscription library, loaning books to stockholders, it became, more than a year ago, a free library, through a liberal appropriation of \$1500 from the Borough Council. In June, when a second appropriation was asked for to continue the good work, the money was withheld because of a diversity of opinion among the Councilmen concerning the law governing such appropriations. The funds in the Treasury were gone and the Library was about to pass back into the hands of the stockholders when a generous lady came forward with a donation of \$100. Other liberal citizens



PUBLIC LIBRARY.

added smaller sums and the doors were kept open until the school room claimed the young people of the town.

Undoubtedly the exciting problem will solve itself in time and the town will permanently rejoice in books free to all.

The earlier history of the Library is scarcely less interesting than the later chapters have been. The first record of its existence was made in the minute book more than twenty-seven years ago, when a number of interested men and women met to talk over the possibility of founding a library, and appointed a formal Library Committee.

It was on June 14th, 1872, that this consultation was held, and those who determined to undertake the work were:

President, John J. Pinkerton; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss S. W. Starkweather (Principal of the High School); Directors, Professor George L. Maris, B. D. Evans, H. T. Fairlamb, R. B. Mougahan, Esq., Mrs. A. A. Sharp, Miss Sabyla Brinton and Miss Helen T. Broke.

Stock in the new Library was taken by a few people, books were bought or donated and were given shelf room in a building on the corner of Market and High streets, now the Farmers' National Bank Building. Here the Library continued quietly, people who wanted especially to read coming there for books, but the town as a whole, so says a patron of those days, took very little pride or interest in it.

In 1886, Mrs. Hannah M. Darlington, a worthy and public spirited lady of the town, decided to the Library Association, of which Miss Starkweather had been made President in 1880, a plot of land at the corner of Church and Fayette streets, as the site for a Public Library building. The Association lost no time, but set to work at once, and in April, 1888, held their first business meeting in the new building.

With the removal of the books to their new and far more attractive quarters, public interest awakened to a wonderful degree. The number of people who paid for shares increased suddenly, and scarcely a visitor came to the town but was proudly shown the pretty building. The snug little hall above proved just what the town had been waiting for and has ever since it was completed been a favorite place for the smaller entertainments or for lectures of a literary or artistic nature. The rent from the hall has been of very material aid in maintaining the Library below.

In 1889, Mrs. Rachel L. Price, who had been a member of the Board since 1873, was elected to the Presidency, and remained in this capacity until last year, when she offered her resignation, which was regretfully accepted. In her place was elected Mrs. E. E. Gilpin, who is the present efficient presiding officer.

#### A LONG STRUGGLE.

For years the Library, presenting most attractive features for students, has been struggling because its funds have been insufficient to maintain it so that it might do the greatest amount of good. When more than a year ago, the Borough Council appropriated, instead of the portion of the dog tax which had been allowed it, the sum of \$1500, on condition that the books be made free to all, the town was jubilant. Where a dozen books had been taken out, hundreds were quickly scattered among the residents of the town. School children who had before been forced to beg or borrow reading matter from neighbors or friends, found an apparently inexhaustible mine of pleasure at their command, and the Librarians were kept more than busy supplying requests for books and magazines. The wail that went up over the withdrawal of the town's support was equal to the rejoicing the year before, and

leaves no possible doubt as to the sentiment of the borough.

#### VALUABLE RELICS.

The Library is not a repository for books alone, but has in its safe keeping many relics and curios. A large glass case in the northwest corner contains many belongings of Chester county's poet son, Bayard Taylor. There are the manuscripts of several of his best known works, his school boy collection of wild flowers, the knapsack which he carried while collecting his material for "Views Afoot," and many other of his possessions. These were presented to the Library by his widow in 1893, and are carefully guarded heirlooms. A number of Taylor's books were presented to the Library at the same time on condition that they should not be taken from the building.

A beautiful collection of sea shells was given the Association by the late Jane Thomas, and this attracts attention upon entering the reading room. In the small committee room are interesting collections of minerals, rare books which would bring large prices if sold, as well as a number of relics which are the property of the Historical Society.

The portraits and busts of noted Chester county men, which are tastefully arranged in the reading room, remind the caller that the institution was first established as a "Memorial Library."

#### THOSE NOW IN POWER.

From its early career until about two years ago, Miss Lizzie A. Thomas had charge of the volumes. She was during a part of this time assisted by Miss Alice Lewis, and later by Miss Ada J. Townsend. After Miss Thomas' resignation, Miss Townsend became head librarian, assisted by Miss Mary Thatcher. When the demand for books was greatest, Misses Alice D. Cheyney and Sara P. Bedford also assisted.

The present Board of Managers are:

Mrs. E. E. Gilpin, President; Miss Margaret G. Townsend, Vice President; Miss Hannah A. Marshall, Secretary; Mrs. H. Hush Kervey, Treasurer; Directors, Mrs. J. T. Rothrock, Miss S. D. House, Mrs. William S. Kirk, Mrs. Baird, Mrs. Robert M. Scott and Mrs. Gibbons Gray Cornwell.

During the time the Library was supported by the borough, the burgess and President of Council were members of the Board of Directors.

#### PROPORTION OF BOOKS.

A glance at the statistics shows interesting figures regarding the sort of books to be found on the

shelves. Of History, Poetry and Travel, there are 1300 volumes. Of Literature, Religions, Sociological and bearing on Political Economy, 500 volumes. Bound magazines, 500 volumes. Biography, 400 volumes. Adult Fiction, 1250 volumes. Juvenile Fiction, 400 volumes.

These figures show conclusively that the Book Committee carefully sees to it that what is best in literature of a substantial nature, as well as the finest fiction, is placed on the shelves, and the fact that the proportion of fiction is much smaller than in the majority of public libraries, goes to prove that the taste of West Chester's readers is for a high standard of literature.

#### CHESTER COUNTY ATHENAEUM.

The first Library Association was formed in West Chester in the season of 1813-14, and several books were collected and circulated. These after a period of years passed into the hands of a new Association which was incorporated under the name of the Chester County Athenaeum. Of this latter organization William P. Townsend was Secretary for a considerable period, accepting the place about 1833. He remembers that Dr. William Darlington was the President, and the Board of Directors at that time included the names of Dr. Isaac Thomas, William Williamson, Ziba Pyle, John Hall and Dr. Wilmer Werthington. Meetings of the Board were held in the office of Ziba Pyle, at the corner of Gay and Church streets, where Frank P. Patton is now located. The reading room was in the second story of a building adjoining the National Bank of Chester county, the site now being occupied by the banking house of E. D. Haines & Co.

In 1857 the location was at 45 East Gay street, and the number of volumes, 2092. Hon. Washington Townsend was Manager and Treasurer.

Later the books were stored in the building on North High street, now occupied by Mrs. Gerhard Reeder, and adjoining the building occupied by Bennett & Lear, then owned by J. Lacey Darlington.

#### WORKINGMEN'S INSTITUTE.

September 25th, 1855, the Workingmen's Institute was incorporated. Its home was in Townsend's building, No. 30 East Gay street, where a library of 600 volumes was kept. The officers were:

President, L. W. H. Kervey; Vice-President, Daniel Niels; Secretary, Cyrus P. Painter; Treasurer, R. Maris Frame; Librarian, Paul F. Whitehead; Managers, Lewis Marshall, William Shields, Joseph B. Gray, D. Clinton Lewis, Jos. Kift.

## THE CRIER ON HIS ROUNDS.

WEST CHESTER was one of the last boroughs in the country to give up the town crier, who was a prominent figure on the streets until within a year or two. David Chambers and James Douglass have carried the bell and made their rounds of the principal streets during the present decade, arousing the interest of visitors, who were often heard comment-

ing on this quaint old custom which was so long retained. One of the criers within the memory of the older inhabitants was Gus McCartney, who also was Court Crier, and who spoke his lines in a clear stentorian voice which could be readily understood. That was in the days when newspapers were fewer, and before advertising was so thoroughly understood in its present form.



## WEST CHESTER FIRE FIGHTERS.

Three Organizations That are a Pride and Comfort to the People.

**T**HERE is probably no town of the same size as West Chester in the Eastern States which can show a fire department more efficient than that in this place and one which has a better record. It is a purely volunteer organization, but it has performed work up to the standard of any department in the past and is ready to do so in the future. For over twenty-five years the firemen have held a record among the best and in that time not a single fire has gotten away from them. They have conquered every blaze they have been called upon to fight and no fact demonstrates the efficiency of the department better than that all the insurance companies here give lower rates than in any town of this section of the United States.

The firemen, are, however, assisted to the full ex-

tent by the Borough Council and are permitted to want for nothing. Each company receives an appropriation of but \$100 per year, but this is not stating the case clearly. The borough pays for light, heat, repairs to everything, all supplies at the fire houses and in fact for every necessity. It not only does this but loans the companies money for improvements to their houses without interest and all the organizations are at the present time indebted somewhat to the borough for their elegant homes. The companies pay no taxes or water rent and the members keep the houses and apparatus in order, the latter being owned by the borough. The water supply for the department is furnished through adequate mains and by means of the latest improved fire hydrants.

The department consists of three companies, located in the best positions in the town, and being near the centre and having about an equal run in all directions. No horses are used except during bad weather in winter, the members drawing the apparatus by hand. The run from all the houses is a short one to any portion of the borough and it is claimed that the men can make as good if not better time than could horses, considering the time which would be lost in making the hitch. The West Chester Company has a down-grade in every direction, as has also the Good Will, but the Fame is hampered by up-grade in two directions.

The apparatus of the department consists of two steamers, a Silsby, worked by the Fame Company, and an improved Button, used by the Good Will. All three companies have handsome and serviceable hose carts, the West Chester a Button, the Good Will a Rumsey and the Fame a Silsby. In addition to this the West Chester Company has a fine Holloway chemical engine with fifty-gallon tanks, and a Gleason & Bailey extension truck with fifty-five foot ladders, capable of being spliced to seventy-five feet. One of the leading features of the department is the ambulance of the Fame Company, a handsome vehicle purchased by subscriptions some years ago and attached to the Chester County Hospital. The service of the ambulance has proved invaluable to the Hospital and to the company which conducts it and has been the means of saving scores of lives by its prompt work during the time it has been in service.

The efficiency of the department is attested by the fact that the fire loss during the year of 1898 in the borough did not amount to a total of over \$1500. A valuable aid to the firemen is the alarm system presented to the borough by the Edison Illuminating Company a few years ago. It consists of twenty-three boxes located at prominent points about town and connected with the fire houses and works of the company which installed it. The alarm is carried by the wires into the houses and to the works, after which it is sounded upon gongs at the fire houses and also upon a large whistle at the works. The fire houses are also equipped with telephones for local alarms.

In charge of the firemen is Chief Plummer E. Jefferis, a most efficient official, and he is assisted by three assistants, one from each company. The companies each have a Chief and five assistants. The total membership of all the companies will probably aggregate one thousand persons, there being hundreds of contributing members in addition to the active workers.

Another valuable addition to the work of the department is the installation of a night service by the West Chester Company. This organization is the only one which has a sleeping room. In summer it keeps two men on duty and in winter as many as four at times in order that the chemical engine may respond promptly in case of an alarm.

The first company organized was the First West



Chester Fire Company, which with the borough, dates back a century. Then came the Neptune, which was succeeded by the Good Will, No. 2. The youngest organization is the Fame. A brief history of the companies in the department is added.

### WEST CHESTER NO. 1.

The First West Chester Fire Company was one hundred years of age on Sunday, August 6th, and is one of the oldest organizations of the kind in this State. It was, in the days of the old hand engines, an engine company, but several years ago changed its form to a chemical engine and truck company, although it still has a hose cart in service. These three pieces of apparatus are in evidence at every fire in the borough and have been taken to other places on a number of occasions.

The organization of the Company took place in 1799, eleven years after the town was incorporated and while the place was little more than a small country village. The first meeting was held on August 6th, of the year mentioned, and twenty-two members, all prominent residents of the town, were enrolled. Nearly all of them have descendants residing here at the present time, many of them among those most prominent in business and other walks of life. A constitution and by-laws were adopted, some of the features of which are retained



to the present day. The roll of original members was composed as follows:

William Sharpless, Jacob Ehrenzeller, Isaac Webb, Joshua Gibbons, Joseph Hemphill, Richard M. Hannum, John Rankin, Joshua Weaver, Jacob Richter, Joseph Bailey, James Jackson, John Underwood, Joseph McClellan, James Bones, William Jones, John Hannum, William Kinnard, William Wollerton, Joseph Clarke, Thomas Hoopes, John Graves, Benjamin Miller.

The oldest living member of the organization at the present time who is on the list of active members, is William P. Townsend, now in his 86th year. He became a member of the company on July 28th, 1832, and was for several years its Treasurer. The records show that Hon. Francis James was Treasurer during the year 1833 and John Marshall from 1834 to May, 1840, when Mr. Townsend was elected and served from that time until 1847, when he was succeeded by W. W. Jefferis, who served one year, Dr. Jesse C. Green being elected in 1848. The latter has been the efficient Treasurer of the company continuously since the date of his election, a period of fifty-one years. Through his efforts in the careful management of the funds of the organization it to-day enjoys a large number of benefits and its debt is less than that of any company in the town.

Philip P. Sharpless is the oldest living honorary member. He signed on January 25th, 1834. Among the prominent early members were the late Daniel Husted, who was the oldest living active member at the time of his death; Hon. Washington Townsend and Eusebius H. Townsend. Philip P. Sharpless is now 90 years of age. The company was not incorporated until 1841.

During its history the Company has numbered many men of more than local prominence in its membership, including many famed in various walks of life. A few of these are as follows:

Bayard Taylor, Judge Isaac Darlington, Olof Strömberg, John Duer, Dennis Whelan, Jonathan Gause, General Isaac D. Barnard, Judge Thomas S. Bell, John Marshall, Dr. Worthington, Judge William Butler, John Tweddle, William P. Townsend, Joseph Hemphill, father of Judge Joseph Hemphill, William Apple, Hon. Washington Townsend, Joshua Hoopes, botanist; Percival Frazer Smith, E. H. Williamson, author; Colonel Henry R. Guss, Joseph P. Wilson, Esq., Judge J. Smith Futhey, Hon. Francis James, Dr. James H. Bradford, Colonel George F. Smith, Dr. Frank Taylor, Auditor General L. G. McCauley, Colonel Hampton S. Thomas, John H. Binton, Hon. T. S. Butler, Wayne MacVeagh, Hon. James B. Everhart, Hon. Smedley Darlington, Richard H. Downing.

The first problem which presented itself after the organization of the Company was that of apparatus for extinguishing fires. The Company was simply a bucket brigade at this time and every member was required to furnish himself with two of a pattern adopted by the organization. The buckets bore the names of the owners and a number of them are still in the possession of the Company and treasured as relics.

There was joy in the hearts of the members when they came into possession of their first engine. It was purchased about 1810 and was a second-hand affair, which had been used by the Neptune Company, of Philadelphia, and was made by Patrick Lyons, of that city, one of the leaders in making fire apparatus of that day. This engine saw many years of service and was transferred to the Neptune Company, since merged into the Good Will, about 1834. That Company afterwards gave it to

the Fame when the latter Company was organized. Edward Apple purchased this engine from the Fame Company in 1853 and it was sent to Philadelphia, where it was afterwards destroyed.

In 1831 the Company, having sufficient funds on hand, concluded that it wanted a new engine and would not be satisfied with a second-hand one. It therefore entered into a contract with John Agnew, of Philadelphia, the leading builder of the country, for the building of one of the latest type. It was the first new engine ever brought to this place and was considered one of the finest in the country. It cost just one dollar per pound, the price being \$2,800 and the weight 2,800 pounds. The machine was what was termed a third-class one, but it proved to be the finest ever brought here and could out-play any other machine in this section of the country. The inscription on the gallery of the engine was "Fidus et Audax," (Faithful and Fearless) and the plate is still treasured by the members. On the sides of the gallery were two handsome paintings on copper by Woodside, a noted Philadelphia artist, and these still hang on the walls of the meeting room of the Company. One of them represents the burning of the Masonic Temple, in Philadelphia, which stood on the ground where the Temple Theatre was afterwards similarly destroyed, now occupied by the Singlerly Building, on Chestnut street, below Eighth. The Company has been offered \$300 for this panel by a volunteer association of Philadelphia, but refused it. The other panel represents the burning of Troy and the price of these added much to the cost of the engine.

With the arrival of the new engine the Company felt that it must have more commodious quarters and in 1836 it purchased from the late Isaac Thomas for \$300 a lot on Church street, on which the southern portion of the present building stands. It also secured a portion in the rear from the late William Darlington, making a fair-sized lot. The money for the purpose was subscribed by the members. On this lot a brick and frame engine house with a mortar floor was erected and the quarters were considered quite handsome in those days. The new engine, which had won many a water throwing contest, was finally sold in 1885 to Thomas H. Peto, of Philadelphia, and the organization then became a truck company, but retained its hose carts, two in number.

The Company formerly owned two hose carts, one of the old type. The first one was purchased for \$1,000 in 1856 from the Southwark Company, Philadelphia. This cart was one of the handsomest which had ever been seen in this portion of the country and cost when new \$2,500. It was heavily plated with silver, 1,500 silver dollars having been melted and used in the work. On the front of it was a large crown set with the finest of rhinestones and a number of the present members, including ex-Chief W. W. Woodward, wear pins at the present time set with these stones, which were removed when the machine was sold. This old cart also went to Thomas H. Peto, but is at present in the relic room of a volunteer association in Philadelphia. A new Burton cart was purchased for the Company in 1883 which is still in use. It is a heavy piece of apparatus, but is in service at every fire, carrying eight hundred feet of hose. Its cost was \$761.60.

A truck was purchased for the company in 1870 at



DR. JESSE C. GREEN, TREASURER OF FIRST WEST CHESTER FIRE COMPANY.

a cost of \$850. It was one of the finest machines of the day for small towns and was retained in service until 1888, when it was sold to the fire company at Morton, Delaware county.

The present truck of the company was purchased by the borough in 1888 from the Gleason & Bailey Company, of Seneca Falls, New York, and is a fine piece of apparatus, being up-to-date in every particular. It was housed on May 12th, 1888, when the present building was also dedicated, a big parade marking the occasion. The truck is considered much superior to the Hayes ariel machine for small towns, inasmuch as it can be taken upon lawns and into places where the more improved machine could not go. It carries an extension ladder of 55 feet, a number of other ladders and all the equipments of the best fire trucks.

It was not until 1894 that the West Chester Company decided that it wanted an engine in addition to its equipment, but then it did not decide to purchase a steamer. It was the sentiment of the

members that the best addition to the department of this place at that time would be a chemical engine of the best make and it determined to place one in service if possible. Application was made to the Borough Council for such a machine and the request of the company was allowed, the value of the engine being recognized. Since that time it has extinguished many small fires unaided and saved much damage to property which would otherwise have been caused by the streams of water turned into the buildings. The engine is one of the most improved Holloway type, manufactured in Baltimore. It carries two tanks of fifty gallons' capacity and is fully up-to-date in every particular. This engine was received here on September 12th, 1894, and housed the following day.

On December 11th, 1886, the company decided that it wanted a new and more commodious building and a plan drawn by the late T. Roney Williamson for such a structure was adopted, it being decided that the work should be done during the fol-

lowing year. The building adjoining the old house had been purchased from Sarah Lackey and the idea was to throw the two properties into one. These plans were carried out and the frontage of the new building is 33 feet and 7 inches. The remodeled building is one of the finest in the State used for fire purposes. The front, of Avondale stone and brick, is a feature of the structure and the bell now swings in a tower sixty feet above the sidewalk. A splendid view of the surrounding country is had from this tower. Since that time, however, many improvements have been made. A handsome memorial window, bearing a picture of the late Chief Harry J. Brinton, has been placed in the end of the meeting room as well as a fine stained glass window in the rear of the handsome ornamental stairway. The house has just been newly painted inside and out, newly papered and a cellar has been dug beneath the truck room, which will be used as a place of amusement by the members. Shuffleboards will be put in and it will be fitted up in good style. A new maple floor has been laid in the truck and engine rooms and altogether the house presents a fine appearance on its Centennial year.

The members of the Company were quick to respond when the call came for volunteers for the Spanish war and Company I, Sixth Regiment, had the greater portion of them, although there were a few others who were members of other commands, some of the volunteers and some with the regulars. A list of those who took part, as far as ascertained, is as follows:

Company I, Sixth Regiment: Captain Gibbons Gray Cornwell; First Lieutenant, Granville, S. Bennett; Second Lieutenant, Herman J. Smith; First Sergeant, George Black; Quartermaster Sergeant, George Hazard; Sergeants, S. Fulton Beatty, Dr. Joseph Hemphill, Jr., Warren Sharp, William Thompson; Corporals, William D. Cornwell, James Dooley, Nathaniel Leaf, R. Skell E. Woodward; Privates, J. Franklin Brown, Horace G. Brinton, Joseph H. Baldwin, Rufus T. Cheyney, George G. Cardwell, Howard Cunningham, George Garrett, William P. Kane, Harry C. Kugel, Frank Long, Ralph Ludwick, Harry T. Lear, Edward Manley, J. Herbert Pratt, George H. Rupert, J. Burton Smith, Frank Taylor, Edward Musser.

Ordnance Officer, Sixth Regiment—W. W. Woodward.

Company H, Wilfred Priest.

Battery A, John N. Guss.

With Regulars—J. Waite Temperton and Mitchell Edwards, both died in service.

#### THE PRESENT OFFICERS.

The officers of the company for the Centennial year, are as follows:

President—J. F. E. Hause.

First Vice-President, William P. Sharpless.

Second Vice-President—Gibbons Gray Cornwell.

Treasurer—Dr. Jesse C. Green.

Secretary—Herman J. Smith.

Financial Secretary—C. Edwin Smith.

Trustees—John P. Woodward, Walter E. Hall, Frank James.

Election Committee—N. R. Rambo, Dr. Joseph Hemphill, Harry Peoples.

Auditing Committee—B. G. Strickland, W. C. Husted.

Chief—W. W. Woodward.

Board of Foremen—F. B. Rupert, H. R. Guss, T. H. Mercer, Isaac Lawrence, H. T. Lear.

Assistant Chief of Fire Department—Howard Hawley.

#### GOOD WILL NO. 2.

The Good Will is a steam company, operating a fine Button steamer and a Runsey hose cart. It is

the second oldest organization of the Department and occupies elegant quarters on East Gay street, near Walnut street.

On the evening of January 9th, 1833, seventeen young men met in a little back room of the Cross Keys Hotel, West Chester, and organized by the appointment of Wm. Williamson, Chairman, and Wm. P. Sharples, Secretary.

Wm. Darlington announced the object of the meeting and read the following paper:

"Whereas, The old engine company having provided themselves with a new engine and apparatus, and thereby having both the old and new engines on their hands, have in their meetings recommended to the attention of a sufficient number of young men in the borough, the formation of themselves into a company for that duty, and to take the old engine off their hands, which is now in good repair. Therefore, we, the subscribers, feeling the necessity, are willing to form ourselves into a company to take and keep the engine and apparatus in good repair, provided it and the house can be procured on proper terms."

These seventeen men resolved to organize a fire company, and for that purpose appointed a committee to draft a constitution. One week later the committee reported, and the meeting adopted, the constitution as presented, the first article of which reads:

"This Association shall be denominated 'The Neptune Fire Company.'"

A committee from the West Chester Fire Company attended the meeting and made an "absolute unconditional transfer of the old engine to the Neptune Fire Company. The offer was accepted and the thanks of the Company were extended to them for their liberality and favor.

According to the constitution each member was required to provide himself at his own expense with two leather buckets, marked with his own name and that of the company, to be placed in the most convenient part of his dwelling, and appropriated entirely to the use of the company, or pay a fine of twenty-five cents at each stated meeting during his neglect.

The members were subjected to fines, varying in amount from six and a quarter to fifty cents, for the following offences: Absence from roll-call, from meetings, from engine at fires, for leaving a meeting without permission of the President, for leaving the engine without consent of an engineer, for non-compliance with the reasonable injunctions of an engineer and for leaving his buckets at a fire twenty-four hours after it was extinguished.

All officers for neglecting or refusing to perform any duty assigned them were fined fifty cents, and for absence, double the amount of the fine imposed on other members. The clerk was required to deliver to each member on the morning of the day of meeting a written or printed notice of the time and place thereof, inspect the buckets of the members and report their condition to the company. For omitting to serve a notice or inspect the bucket of any member, a fine or six and a quarter cents was imposed. Nine members constituted a quorum. The company was permanently organized January 26th, 1833, by the election of Wm. Williamson, President; David Meconkey, Secretary; Wm. Darlington, Treasurer; Angus McKay, Chief Engineer, and five Assistant Engineers.

The Treasurer was required to give bonds in the sum of five hundred dollars. The President was instructed, on behalf of the Company, to address a



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respectful letter to each of the insurance companies which had insured property in the borough of West Chester asking their friendly assistance in aid of the general objects of the Association.

The Engineers were instructed to procure a speaking trumpet and badges for their own use. A committee was appointed to fix on some suitable place for the meetings of the company and ascertain upon what terms it could be procured. At a subsequent meeting they reported that the Society could meet in "Joel Matlack's Tavern" free of charge.

An engine was purchased in 1837 from the Good Will Fire Company of Philadelphia for \$650; the name of the Association was changed from "Neptune" to "Good Will Fire Company." This engine lasted until 1856, when the company purchased the Harmony engine of Philadelphia for \$1000, selling their old one to the Harmony Engine Company for \$270 and changing the name on the engine to "Good Will." The first hose carriage appears to have been purchased in 1841. In 1849 a four-wheeled hose carriage was bought of the Ringgold Hose Company of Philadelphia, for \$50.

The apparatus to this date was all second-hand and constantly in need of repair. In 1859 a new carriage was built for the Company at a cost of \$250. The engine was housed in a stable on the south side of Market street, nearly opposite the Court House, until 1846, when the Company purchased a lot on Church street and built a two-story house thereon, which was enlarged in 1858. The Company was incorporated in 1846.

Fires appear to have been of much more frequent occurrence in the early history of the Company than they have been of late—especially is this true in the interval between 1845 and 1855, when many were reported, principally stables and carpenter shops. At a fire the members were arranged in two rows, one passing the filled buckets from the well to the engine, the other passing the empty buckets back. The water was poured into the engine, when it was thrown on the fire through the hose by means of one long lever worked at each end by several men. In consequence of the giving out of the old engine in 1836, and to dispense with the use of buckets, a committee was appointed to ascertain the cost of a fire engine and in the phraseology of the minute book, they were also to ascertain whether "suction or other hose can be advantageously used or applied to our circumstances and the best plan for use to adopt in the present emergency."

Although the apparatus was not first class, the Company was generally prepared for service, as we find the following extracts from the reports of the engineers: "The Good Will was promptly ready for action and continued through the whole time in the most active manner, performing very valuable duty." "She performed with comfort to herself and satisfaction to her friends." "The Good Will was promptly in an excellent situation for duty, went early into action, and saved much of the surrounding property, and, with the assistance of other companies, succeeded in quelling the flames, without much injury being done to any building other than that originally fired." "Performed with her accustomed meekness and good will." "Hose carriage soon on the ground; not sufficient strength to take the engine." "On the ground early and secured the best situation and was instrumental in saving much property." "On the ground early and had water on before either of the other companies arrived." It is hard to reconcile these reports with this entry, which we find about the same period, "The Good Will, as usual, was the last on the ground."

In 1837 an effort was made to have a more efficient organization of the fire department of the borough. A town meeting was held and it was recommended that the Burgesses build cisterns and aid the companies. For many years the company labored under great difficulty for want of funds, and collections were constantly being made. The fire insurance companies occasionally contributed. The Borough Council several times granted pecuniary aid, and in 1851 passed an ordinance appropriating annually one hundred dollars, since which time the Company has been in a sound and healthy financial condition. Prominent citizens of the borough were active members of the company. For twenty-seven years William Darlington, Esq., was the leading spirit, and during the whole time held the office of Treasurer, and there, as everywhere else, he was characterized by his straightforwardness.

In 1850 the constitution was amended so that members who had served five successive years were entitled to the privilege of honorary membership. From this time the older members at their request were placed on the retired list, leaving the management to younger men. On the breaking out of the Rebellion many of its members volunteered to serve their country, and left the company in a weak condition—interest flagged and meetings were slimly attended, until but ten names were on the roll.

At a meeting irregularly called on March 11th,

1875, a committee consisting of Wm. S. Kirk, J. Bayard Jefferis and John McGrath, were appointed to sell the real estate and personal property of the Company at either public or private sale. In July it was resolved to have a public sale on Saturday, August 7th, 1875, and that the sale be advertised in the Sunday Mercury and Public Ledger, of Philadelphia; the money derived from the sale to be divided among the ten remaining members.

The sale of apparatus did not take place on the above date, as hose and carriage were loaned to the Fame Fire Company. On January 10th, 1876, the following committee, consisting of Wm. Hoopes, William Darlington, Michael Clark, Henry P. Sharpless, and the President, William S. Kirk, were instructed to visit Borough Council and ascertain their views upon the purchase of a Steam Fire Engine.

Reported that the Borough Council had bought a Button steam Fire engine; that it arrived on the 9th of November, 1876; had been satisfactorily tested, and on motion it was unanimously resolved that the said engine be accepted by the Company, and that the Trustees be authorized to sell the old hand engine. On March 11th, 1878, the old hand engine was sold to T. P. Apple for \$50.

A committee of William S. Kirk, Levi G. McCauley, George B. Johnson, Benjamin H. Sweeney, R. Newton Thomas, T. Walter Embree, were appointed on December 18th, 1882, to prepare for a banquet in honor of the 50th anniversary of the Company to be held at the Mansion House on January 9th, 1883, at which time the Borough Council, West Chester, and Fame Fire Company were their guests. During the evening remarks were made by Hon. Washington Townsend, Dr. J. B. Wood, Hon. William B. Waddell, Theodore P. Apple, Hon. R. E. Monaghan and others.

The first uniform adopted by the Company was for the 4th of July parade, 1883, and consisted of blue shirts, white "2" on breast, white canvas caps, white belts and white ties; there were forty-two of them procured.

A committee, consisting of C. H. Hannum, A. A. Parker, T. W. Marshall, Wm. Woodward and Wm. Hoopes were appointed April, 1884, to look into the purchasing of a new location for the company, and reported March, 1885, on the Valentine property, when the following resolution was adopted by the company:

Whereas, "The Good Will Fire Company" have lately purchased of the widow and heirs of Chalkley M. Valentine, deceased, a certain three-story brick messuage and lot of ground, situate on the south side of Gay street, between High and Walnut streets, in the borough of West Chester, Pa., for the use of said company, and are indebted to said widow and heirs in the sum of Four Thousand Dollars for the purchase money thereof; therefore,

Resolved, That in order to pay said purchase money "The Good Will Fire Company" do borrow of "The Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of West Chester," now known by its corporate title as "The Borough of West Chester," the sum of Four Thousand Dollars, to be due and payable on or before the first day of April, A. D., one thousand and eight hundred and eighty-six, and to be without interest until the same is paid, and that Levi G. McCauley, President, and Edmund D. Hoopes, Secretary of the said "The Good Will Fire Company" are hereby authorized and directed to execute on behalf of said company a mortgage for four thousand dollars on the said house and lot to the said "The Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of

West Chester," now known by its corporate title as "The Borough of West Chester," using a common school seal which shall be considered the seal of the corporation or company for said purpose.

The new house having been remodeled and completed, the apparatus was housed on August 22d, 1885, the ceremonies being a parade of the three fire companies, the Pioneers and the Borough Council.

James B. Everhart presented the Company with a bell, which was placed in the bell tower. On October 12th, 1885, the old engine house on Church street, was sold to Dr. Jesse C. Green for \$1075.

On June 7th, 1886, the new hose carriage purchased by the Borough of West Chester was properly housed, and the old one ordered sold, which was done in July, 1887, Thomas H. Peto being the purchaser, for the amount of \$35.

In January, 1890 the uniform was changed to maroon hats and long fawn overcoats. In the same year the Company joined the State Firemen's Association.

The first fair of the Company was held on Thanksgiving week 1892, and the proceeds were \$1652.77. The second fair of the Company was held in the Armory during the week of February 22d, 1896, and the proceeds were \$1516.43.

The Company purchased the present site on East Gay street from the estate of Geo. Matlack for \$4500. Baker & Dallett drew the plans and P. E. Jefferis was awarded the contract at \$5285. The total cost of the building was \$10,334. The building was started April 1st, 1897, and completed in October.

The third fair of the Company was held in the Tattersall during the week of February 22d, 1898, the proceeds of which were \$1306.68. A few members of the Company having drawn some ducks and chickens at the Fair of the West Chester Fire Company during Thanksgiving week, 1898, it was decided to give a supper at the Eagle Hotel on the evening of December 2d, 1898, at which thirty-two members of the company were present and enjoyed themselves immensely.

Here is an interesting list of the Presidents and Secretaries of the Company from its organization:

Presidents—William Williamson, 1833 to 1836; James Powell, 1836 to 1838; Hickman James, 1838 to 1842; B. F. Haines, 1842 to 1843; John Rutter, 1843 to 1849; Isaac D. Pyle, 1849 to 1852; James Sweeney, 1852 to 1857; Simon Bernard, 1857 to 1861; John Lent, 1861 to 1870; Edward Haines, 1870 to 1874; J. B. Jefferis, 1874 to 1875; W. S. Kirk, 1875 to 1885; L. G. McCauley, 1885 to 1890; P. E. Jefferis, 1890 to 1893; L. B. King, 1893 to date.

Secretaries—No record until 1857; Henry W. Carruthers, 1857 to 1861; Edward H. Hall, 1861 to 1865; John G. Parker, 1865 to 1867; S. A. Kirk, 1867 to 1869; John McGrath, 1869; John J. Parker, 1870; S. A. Kirk, 1871; John McGrath, 1872 to 1875; C. H. Hannum, 1876 to 1879; George B. Johnson, 1879 to 1882; Walter Embree, 1883; William Perrell, 1884; E. D. Hoopes, 1885; W. W. Speakman, 1886; William S. Bowen, 1887 to 1889; Howard Heston, 1889 to 1891; Edwin Leedom, 1891; F. O. Reagan, 1892; H. R. Sharpless, 1893 to 1896; Joseph Reagan, 1896 to 1898; Howard Heston to date.

The present officers are:

President—L. E. King.

Vice-President—Edwin Leedom.

Secretary—Howard Heston.

Financial Secretary—Winfield S. Hice.

Treasurer—P. E. Jefferis.

Chief Engineer—J. A. Reagan.

Five Assistant Engineers—Harry Dean, Mich-

ael Marra, Wm. Jones, John Hazzard, Park Patrick.

Trustees—Edwin Leedom, John Entriiken, H. C. Reagan.

Electing Committee—Wm. Middleton, John Hazzard, Harry Glisson.

Relief Directors—H. Heston, H. C. Reagan, C. Beekman.

Assistant to Chief of Department—H. C. Reagan.

### FAME NO. 3.

The Fame Fire Company, No. 3, is the youngest in the borough, its history dating back only to 1837, when it was known as the Independence Fire Company. It is a steamer company and its equipment consists of a second-class Silsby steamer and a Silsby hose cart, the latter one of the finest in this country, it having taken a number of prizes in parades of the State Firemen's Association. In addition to the apparatus the company conducts an ambulance service which has proven of remarkable benefit to the borough and people since it was installed in the house. The lives of many have been saved by its use and it is a valuable adjunct to the Chester County Hospital. The ambulance is an elegant modern vehicle, fully up to date in every particular. The Company occupies elegant quarters on East Market street and they are furnished in more elaborate style than those of any company in the town. At the present time there are probably three hundred members upon the roll of the organization.

The Company was organized in the latter part of 1837, when a number of meetings were held in the market house and the matter talked over. It was determined to secure an old hand engine, formerly the property of the West Chester Company. This was soon accomplished and the new Company began business as the Independence Fire Company, but soon changed the name to Fame. The list of original members was as follows:

James B. Morrison, John Skullin, Benjamin Hoopes, Samuel S. Heed, Edward Letts, Parker Jeffris, William Sharp, George Ehrenzeller, William Steele, William L. Hoffman, Thomas Williams, Evan Calvert, Charles D. Springer, C. Marshall Ingram, William Anderson, Joseph F. Heston, Joseph Brinton, E. Jefferis Wickersham, William Fleck, William T. Frame, Ellis Mendenhall, David Trainer, William Kane, Powell Calvert.

Of these George Ehrenzeller and C. Marshall Ingram are still among the living.

The first officers were: President, Joseph Brinton; Secretary, James B. Morrison; Treasurer, Thos. T. Williams; Chief Engineer, John Skullin; Assistants, Samuel S. Heed, Powell Calvert, Jo. F. Heston, Benjamin Hoopes, William Sharp.

In December, 1837, the old Neptune apparatus, consisting of a hand engine and hose, was turned over to the new company and its first baptism of fire was at the house of William Williamson, on Gay street, on March 28th, 1838, at which time the company was first to arrive on the scene. This old engine was used by the company until 1845, when the members subscribed \$560 for a new one, which was purchased from the Fame Company, of

Philadelphia, for \$900, and this engine was used until 1867, when it was decided that the company should have a steamer. After considerable discussion it was decided to have one built by the Johnson Company, of Portland, Maine, and William T. Haines was delegated to visit that city and give an order for the machine. This was done and the steamer arrived here on October 19th. It was in service from that date until 1883, when it became



unfit for use and out of date. In that year the Borough Council purchased the Silsby steamer which is still in service, and it has proven one of the best in this section of the country.

The first hose carriage used by the company was purchased in 1855 at a cost of \$300 and used in service until 1884, when the handsome parade carriage now in use was purchased by the company for over \$900 from the Silsby Company. The old steamer was sold in 1885 for \$300 and the hose carriage for \$50.

The ambulance now in use by the company arrived here on August 31st, 1894, and since that time it has been used thousands of times. It is conducted as a free service for the benefit of the people of the borough and surrounding country, and the expense is covered by such subscriptions as are given by the people and the members of the company.

It was not until 1840 that the Fame secured a site for a home. In that year a small lot was purchased from the County Commissioners and a modest home erected. The West Chester and Fame Companies both occupied this house until that of

the former company was completed in 1841. In 1846 the County Commissioners made arrangements to erect the present Court House, and this made it necessary to remove the Fame house, which was done, and it was taken to a lot belonging to John T. Worthington. Interest lagged in the company during 1847, 1848 and 1849 and the only records for those years were those of the semi-annual elections. In 1850 the company was again in the best of shape, and it used the house of the West Chester Company for a meeting place until 1853. The present lot, on Market street, was purchased in 1852, and it was decided to erect a house two stories high, twenty feet front and forty feet deep. This building was completed the following year and cost \$1726, all of which had been collected from members and paid except \$600, which was covered by a mortgage held by John T. Worthington. A library of 500 books was placed in this house in 1860, a gift from the Workingmen's Institute.

Several movements were made to sell the property of the company, but instead it was decided, in 1889, to improve, and the sum of \$2000 was borrowed from the Borough Council. A new front was built and the entire building remodeled at a cost of \$3400, giving the organization its present commodious and elegant quarters, with the exception of the rear addition in which the reading room is located, which was built in 1893. The company this summer completed important improvements to its house, laying new floor, papering and painting and improving the building from cellar to roof at a considerable expense.

The Fame was the first company to introduce a steam fire engine into the department, the first to unite with the State Firemen's Association and the first to adopt a handsome uniform of light coats, fire hats, belts and caps. It enjoys a foremost place in the companies of the State by reason of its showing in the parades of the meetings of the Firemen's Association. In the parade at Lock Haven it took first prize and this gave it a standing among the leading companies of the State. A distinctive ceremony in the organization is its action in placing flowers upon the graves of all deceased members on Memorial day every year and the reading of a passage of Scripture at each meeting.

The Fame has a war history which is probably excelled by no similar organization in the State. During the Civil War it was practically wiped out of existence by enlistments of its members and the company cherishes a roll of honor of these veterans. This list is given entire:

97th Reg't, Penna. Vols.—Henry R. Guss, Galusha Pennypacker, Harmon Heed, D. W. C. Lewis, Lewis V. Evans, Francis M. Guss, Jacob Dabman, Jefferson T. Massy, Abel Griffith, John R. Miller, E. Franklin Whiting, Edwin Y. Townsend, John McIlvaine, Joseph E. Valentine, James Haney, John P. Winterbottom, William Herzpahl, William Shannon, Christian Roeker, George White, Thomas John, Asher Miner Kinnard, Joseph T. Burnett, Elwood P. Baldwin, Thomas E. Weber, Thomas Cosgriff, Thomas McKay, Joseph Sweeney—28.

124th Reg't, Penna. Vols.—J. Benton Atkin, Edward F. James, Richard D. Townsend, Harry J. Stager, Thomas J. Townsend, Samuel Naylor, William Stevenson, Bernard Hawley, Isaac Evans, Andrew Johnson, Francis Tucker, Clement Cooper, James Entriken, Francis McFall, Charles Williamson, Ezekiel R. Griffith, Ellis Ford, Richard Monaghan, Gibbons Frame, Wm. H. H. Smith, Palmer Chamberlain, Davis E. Townsend, Thomas E. Dutton, Philip D. Haines,

Josiah Burnett, Jas. H. Naylor, J. Haines Long, Enos Newbrough, J. Jackson Griffith—29.

68th Reg't, Pa. Vols.—John D. Pawling, Anthony W. Reynolds, William W. Heed, Paul F. Whitehead.

51st Pa. Vols.—Martin H. Dunn,  
95th Pa. Vols.—Henry H. Robinson, Walter Lackey.

49th Reg't, Pa. Vols.—Benjamin H. Downing, Charles Whiting, Thomas B. Elfrey, Samuel C. Reese, John B. Downing.

9th Pa. Vols.—Johnson C. Baldwin, J. B. Heckman, Thomas Lewis.

146th Pa. Vols.—Wm. Address, Wm. A. Smith, Francis Hoopes.

175th Pa. Militia—George Down ng.

2d Pa. Vols.—William W. James.

1st Pa. Vols., Reserve Corps—Pearson Mercer, Hadley Lamborn, Charles Heckman, Alban O'tey, Thomas H. Beugless, George A. Mercer, Cheyney Nields.

175th Pa. Vols.—Maris T. Chandler, William McCormick.

4th Pa. Vols., Reserve Corps—Enos L. Christman.

State Militia—Thomas W. Parker, Jacob C. J. feris, Samuel S. Heed, R. Maris Frame, Casper Stephenson, William A. Moore.

99th Pa. Vols.—William Worthington.

72d Pa. Vols.—Jefferson Chrisman.

29th Pa. Vols.—Elias Cade.

118th Pa. Vols.—John Rogers.

5th Pa. Vols., Reserve Corps—D. Webster Nields.

3d New Jersey Vols.—John Stewart.

10th N. J. Vols.—William Coope.

1st N. J. Vols.—Thomas W. Painter.

24th Illinois Vols.—Lewis Heffelfinger.

76th Illinois Inf.—Fabius Fleming.

1st Delaware Vols.—Henry H. Darlington.

7th Pa. Cavalry—James T. Address, George Townsend.

3d Pa. Cavalry—Jacob Graul.

U. S. Navy—Philip P. Townsend.

Many men of prominence have held official positions in the company since its organization and the following list of Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurers and Chiefs may prove of interest:

Among the first Presidents were Joseph Brinton, Samuel S. Heed, Thomas Townsend, Wm. A. Moore, Henry Fleming, Jr., Wilmer Worthington, Jr., Pearson Mercer, D. W. C. Lewis, Chas. Stow, Cheyney W. Nields, Norris T. Smith, John W. Newlin, Charles H. Pennypacker, Theodore F. Nields, Thomas T. Smith, 1872 to 1885; William Welch, 1885-8; D. K. Loomis, 1889-93; Edward Brinton, 1894; Lewis C. Moses, 1895 to date.

Secretaries—James B. Morrison, Ellis Mendnhall, William W. Kurtz, Samuel S. Heed, Pusey Pennock, William M. Bull, Wilmer Worthington, Jr., Theodore B. McGinley, Thomas Reed, Jr., William A. Moore, Cyrus Painter, John W. Newlin, Thomas Carpenter, George B. Whethera, Chalkley M. Valentine, John Stewart, Thomas E. Weber, J. Hoopes Matlack, W. W. Heed, M. W. Siecle, Joseph E. Valentine, Joseph B. Gray, Edward S. Darlington, John C. Heed, Edward T. Trickett, Philip Hyatt, 1875 and 1876; George Heed, 1877 to 1885; W. W. MacEree, 1885; Herbert P. Worth, 1886 to 1895; George H. Spackman, 1895-6; William S. Cudlipp, 1897 to date.

Treasurers—Thomas F. Williams, David Trainor, Evan Calvert, Wm. Marshall, John Miller, Frederick Walters, Wm. T. Mercer, George Ehrenzeller, Isaah Wells, Jesse H. Mercer, Samuel S. Heed, F. M. Guss, Wm. Darlington, Geo. B. Whethera, Wilmer Worthington, D. W. C. Lewis, Chalkley M. Valentine, 1856 to 1879; Fred Heed, 1879 to date.

Chief Engineers—John Sku'In, Samuel S. Heed, Joseph Brinton, Thomas Townsend, George Ehrenzeller, Charles D. Springer, D. W. C. Lewis, Francis M. Guss, George B. Whethera, Wilmer Worthington, Jr., Theodore P. Apple, John Stewart, Johnson Faldwin, T. P. Apple, 1834 to 1871; L. D. Hyatt, 1871; E. J. Bateman, 1872 to 1874; T. P. Apple, 1875-6; Baldwin Keech, 1877; A. M. Kinnard, 1878-80; D. O. Taylor, 1880-5; Abner M. Eachus, 1885 to date.



## SOCIAL AND POLITICAL CLUBS.

Pleasant Organizations Which Bring the People Together.

**T**HE social and political clubs of West Chester are few in number, but they are second to none in this State in more ways than one. They are all composed of the better classes of young men and their rooms are all furnished and equipped in the best of style for the purposes intended.

### WEST CHESTER PIONEER CORPS, NO. 1.

The oldest and leading political and social club in the borough is the West Chester Pioneer Corps, No. 1, which at the present time occupies elegant quarters on Market street, utilizing two floors of a large stone building, where it has an immense billiard room, parlor, meeting room and other departments. It is composed of an excellent class of young men, and is the oldest Republican club in Chester county. It is a thorough Republican organization in everything, but takes no part whatever in factional fights, the members being divided about equally between the Quay and Anti-Quay wings of the party. It never endorses a candidate for office unless he be the choice of the entire party and be so nominated. In straight Republican methods the Club is a unit and this has been the cause of its phenomenal success in the past. At present it has ninety-five active and about thirty contributing members. The club was organized in 1872 and has seen many ups and downs since that time, but is at the present time in the best financial condition with property valued at several thousand dollars.

This club is conducted at a less expense to members, probably, than any organization of the same character in Pennsylvania. The members pay but ten cents per week and the contributors five cents. The admission fee is one dollar. Its by-laws are exceedingly strict and this serves to keep up the financial standing. Every member must have his dues paid every four weeks or be first suspended from all privileges for two weeks and then expelled. Every member seen in uniform is a bona fide one, no substitutes being permitted to parade under any pretext.

The organization has made many records for its excellent marching and its beautiful uniforms have made it the centre of attraction upon many occasions. It has captured many prizes for its appearance upon parade. The officers of the club at the present time are:

President, Burgess C. Wesley T. Ibot; Vice-President, Herman J. Smith; Secretary, Hayes Jack; Assistant Secretary, James Varnum; Financial Secretary, Howard A. Black; Treasurer, Edwin S. Turner; Executive Committee, Broome R. Shaner, Charles Hoffman, Nathan Rambo, William Mullin and Wilmer T. Hannum; Captain, Howard Hawley; First Lieutenant, David Jones, Second Lieutenant, Harry Peoples; First Sergeant, Nathan Rambo; Quartermaster, Frank Elliott.

### WEST CHESTER CLUB.

The West Chester Club is a purely social organization, taking no part in politics, and is composed of leading business men, lawyers and others of the borough. It is the leading club of this character and its rooms, in the Assembly Building, are lavishly furnished with the finest appointments. There are spacious parlors, card rooms, billiard room and dining room and the walls are decorated with some of the choicest works of art. This club limits its membership to one hundred persons, its list being filled at the present time and a number of candidates awaiting admission. It was organized at a meeting held on April 10th, 1890, and the membership was first twenty-five, but this has been gradually extended to the present figures. Its officers in this Centennial year are:

President, Captain R. T. Cornwell; Vice-President, E. Dallett Hemphill; Secretary, B. G. Strickland; Treasurer, B. W. Haines; Board of Directors, Samuel Marshall, M. H. Mailack, E. D. Hemphill, Dr. J. Max Mueller, Robert T. Cornwell, B. G. Strickland, William M. Gifford, Lewis C. Moses and B. W. Haines.

### CHESTER COUNTY REPUBLICAN CLUB.

The Chester County Republican Club is what its name implies—a Stalwart Republican Club. It is a young but flourishing organization and the suc-



cessor of the Republican Invincibles, an organization which was disbanded nearly two years ago. This club was formed in December, 1897, and has cozy quarters in the Major Moore Building, on West Market street. Its rooms are the headquarters of the Republican County Committee, which body holds its meetings there. This club is in a lively condition at the present time, and expects to take a prominent part in the Republican campaign next year. Its present officers are:

President, Auditor General L. G. McCauley; First Vice-President, A. B. Roecker; Secretary, George Bateman; Financial Secretary, Norris S. Ingram; Treasurer, William Eachus; House Committee, Christopher Beekman, W. H. Turner, Clifford H. Roecker, J. B. Smith, Jr., Walter A. MacDonald; Election Committee, James B. Fisher, Harry G. Smith and Crosby Keech.

### THE BACHELORS' CLUB.

The Bachelors' Club is one of the rather exclusive organizations of the borough, and has fine quarters on Church street. No married man is admitted to membership and the list is limited to twenty-five. If a member marries he must give up his club life and make room for a new member, a number of whom are always in waiting. The club was organized in October, 1897, and is in a most flourishing condition, its personnel being of the best. The officers are:

President, Henry R. Guss; Vice-President, Alger Whitcraft; Secretary, Barden D. Keech; Treasurer, Joseph H. Oat; House Committee, C. N. Lytle, B. G. Strickland, William C. Johnson, Barden D. Keech and Albert Ingram.

### HOME CLUSTER.

For a quarter of a century the Home Cluster has flourished and maintained its youth, holding literary meetings monthly at the homes of the different members. The exercises are of a social and literary character. Officers for the present year are:

President, Lacey Herbert Shields; Vice-President, Isaac Hoopes; Recording Secretary, Miss Elizabeth Mellor; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mary H. Savery; Treasurer, J. Hibberd Taylor.

### EUTERPE CHORAL SOCIETY.

For a number of years the Euterpe Choral Society has added to the attractiveness of West Chester by giving an annual concert in the Assembly Building, under the direction of a skilled leader. The organization was at first composed exclusively of female voices, but latterly the male voices have also been represented. Officers chosen at the last election were these:

President, Dr. Charles H. McCowan; Vice-President, Mrs. Robert M. Scott; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Jennie B. Martin; Librarian, Miss Marian B. Jones; Accompanist, Eleanor P. Vance.

### MALE QUARTET.

A popular singing organization is the West Chester Male Quartet consisting of William A. Brooke, Joseph F. Hill, William B. Smith and James A. Conner.

## BURIAL SOCIETIES.

How Funerals Are Paid For in West Chester.

FOR more than twenty-seven years the funeral expenses in West Chester have been largely met by societies and not by the families of the dead. This might appear to be the result of a bright scheme on the part of the undertakers, but no matter how the plan was first designed, it has been generally adopted and is considered a success.

The idea is somewhat like life insurance. A number of men, with the limit fixed at \$300, form an organization, and when one member dies the survivors contribute one dollar apiece toward his burial. This means that \$300 may be depended upon in that dread time of need, as the fund is always kept in readiness for such a call. There are no less than seven Societies of the kind in West Chester.

It was on the 8th of January, 1872, that a little band of men who desired to make this preparation for the future met to take steps toward organizing. Thomas W. Harlan was named as chairman, and Chalkley M. Valentine Secretary. At the next meeting an election was held, and these officers chosen:

President, Thomas W. Harlan; Secretary, Cyrus Painter; Treasurer, Chalkley M. Valentine; Executive Committee, William V. Husted, Andrew Furlong, George Ehrenzeller.

The first death occurred in April of that same year, when Daniel Nields was called away, and the sum paid to his family was \$52. This gave the Society fresh impetus, and members were received rapidly, until the number reached 300, at which point it has stood for a long time.

Last January, William S. Hill, who had been Secretary for a number of years, officially reported that the sum of \$19,000 had been paid out in benefits, since the organization was formed. Most of this money, it is fair to say, was received by the families of the deceased members, just at a time when it could be used to great advantage.

For the current year the officers are:

President, Isaac G. Alexander; Secretary, Hon. Plummer E. Jeffers; Treasurer, William D. Wlin; Executive Committee, Edwin S. Mendenhall, William J. Hopewell, A. D. Sharples, Isaac H. Bailey, E. L. McKinstry.

### LATER SOCIETIES.

In more recent years other Societies have been organized, and these are their present officers:

CITIZENS' BENEFICIAL SOCIETY—President, Esau Loomis; Vice-President, Howard Hawley; Secretary, A. B. Roecker; Treasurer, Henry C. Baldwin.

MUTUAL AID ASSOCIATION—President, Joseph T. Kift, Jr.; Secretary and Treasurer, Joseph T. Harkness.

CATHOLIC MUTUAL AID SOCIETY—President, John V. Morgan; Secretary, John W. Pierce; Treasurer, Michael J. Murphy.

MUTUAL BENEFIT ASSOCIATION OF CHESTER COUNTY—President, Edward Bradley; Secretary, George L. Fry; Vice-President, Edinboro Coggins; Treasurer, Anthony Y. Wilson.

CHESTER COUNTY MUTUAL AID—President, Newton Lytle; Secretary, Norris Ingram; Treasurer, W. W. Heed.

PROVIDENT BURIAL SOCIETY—President, James B. Fisher; Secretary, B. G. Strickland; Treasurer, Harry G. Smith.

In addition to these there are several other organizations which pay death benefits and also take care their members in case of sickness or accident.



## MARSHALL SQUARE.

A Charming Spot Where Many Find Rest in Summer.

**M**ARSHALL SQUARE, the popular public breathing place, is a delightful little park on the northern side of the borough. It is bounded by North Matlack, East Bidelle, North Franklin and East Marshall streets, and occupies, as the name implies, a single square.

In the year 1818 it was laid out, in pursuance to the following ordinance, passed by the borough authorities:

"Whereas, It has been deemed expedient and proper to improve the public square on which the upper reservoir, connected with the water works of the borough, is situated, by laying out the same in suitable walks, and introducing various ornamental trees and shrubbery; and whereas, it will be convenient and necessary to designate the said square by some appropriate name; and whereas the late Humphrey Marshall, of Chester county, was one of the earliest and most distinguished horticulturists and botanists of our country, having established the second botanic garden in this Republic, and also prepared and published the first treatise on the forest trees and shrubs of the United States, and diffused a taste for botanical science, which entitles his memory to the lasting respect of his countrymen. Therefore, be it

"Resolved, By the Burgesses and Assistant Burgesses of the Borough of West Chester, in Council

assembled, That the public square aforesaid shall hereafter be designated and known by the name of "The Marshall Square," in commemoration of the exemplary character, and scientific labors, of our distinguished fellow citizen, the late Humphrey Marshall, of West Bradford township, Chester county.

"Passed March 13th, 1848."

The Square contains about five and a-half acres of ground and a large stock of ornamental shrubs, the plants numbering in the early days about two hundred.

For several years the plot was managed by a committee consisting of Dr. William Darlington, Joshua Hoopes and David Townsend, all noted botanists, who drew up plans for planting the trees and directed what should be placed there. The land was let out to Pesehall Morris, who owned a large nursery in that vicinity, and who was permitted to cultivate this ground on condition that he should plant trees as the committee directed. The land was laid out in concentric circles, with walks between, and geometric forms were followed with more or less care.

In 1878, while Major Seneca G. Willauer was Chief Burgess, a change was decided upon. Josiah Hoopes, who had by this time become prominent as a botanist, was engaged to take the management of the park and lay out the grounds anew. The

property was cleared of undergrowth and plans were formed for making it a complete arboretum.

Mr. Hoopes was directed to find specimens of every kind of tree which will live in this climate and to plant them carefully in the Park, that they might grow and be seen by visitors. This instruction was carried out and the square made such a noted place



MRS. HANNAH MARSHALL.

that botanists came long distances to examine the trees and note their growth. Fortunately the great bulk of the trees lived and flourished, even though some of them are said to be unable to stand a temperature such as is experienced here. One of the rarest specimens, a Turkey oak, is living and growing nicely, although not supposed to endure such rigorous winters as those in this latitude.

Those trees which are of a dioecious character—male and female, requiring cross fertilization—are present in pairs.

Major Willauer contributed to the attractiveness of the Park by conveying a quantity of cedars from his farm in the northern part of the county, these being used in making the rustic pavilion and the building which is now used by the present Superintendent, John L. Fulton, as a tool house.

At a later period, while Jerome B. Gray was Chairman of the Park Committee, Mr. Hoopes was requested to label all the trees, giving their botanical names, their common names, and the countries from which they were brought.

In the early eighties the old reservoir was removed from the square, and the whole tract was laid out as a Park, the walks having been previously arranged in graceful curves and plots ornamented with trees and flowers nicely placed.

In 1887 the monument to the memory of the members of the 97th Regiment, P. V., who had fallen in the Rebellion, was erected and dedicated.

The fountains and the different buildings have been added from time to time, with cages of animals, and numbers of fish, until the square is now a beauty, a place where the people resort in warm weather and find rest and comfort.

## AGED MEN AND WOMEN.

Residents of West Chester Who Have Attained a Ripe Old Age.

**M**EN and women as well, oftentimes live to advanced ages in West Chester, which speaks well for the healthfulness of the town, and commends it as an excellent place of residence to those desiring longevity.

The oldest resident of this place at the present time is Mrs. Hannah Marshall, residing at the southeast corner of Church and Barnard streets, who is now rounding out a century of a most useful life, and who, although physically disabled, retains an intellect almost as clear as that of a child. Mrs. Marshall was born on St. Patrick's Day (March 17th), 1800, in the township of London Grove. Her maiden name was Travilla, and her father—a farmer by occupation—was in his day one of the well-known Friends of Southern Chester county. Her husband, Samuel Marshall, has been deceased for more than half a century, though a family of several children are yet living to cherish their mother in her old age, among them being Councilman Joseph N. Marshall. This venerable woman can readily recall incidents occurring as far back as ninety-five years ago, and in 1825, when General Lafayette visited Chester county, she was then a young woman of



BENJAMIN HAYES.

25. For more than a year past she has not enjoyed good health and has been confined to her bed. While her life is undoubtedly near a close, yet it is probable that she will live to round out her century.

Benjamin Hayes, the venerable Friend who resides on South High street, below Miner, is the oldest voter living within the limits of West Chester. Mr. Hayes was born August 28th, 1804, and has consequently only recently celebrated his 95th birthday. While not a native of West Chester, yet he is a Chester countian, he having first seen the light of day in Highland township, where he lived for nearly half a century. He enjoys good health, arises early each morning and attires himself, and is regarded as quite active physically and keen intellectually for one of advanced years. He was the father of several children, one of whom, Dr. Isaac Hayes, is deceased. The latter was famous as an Arctic explorer, and suffered many hardships upon his expeditions to the Frozen North.

Sarah Dickinson, residing with the family of Edward H. Hall, is another venerable citizen, and has already rounded out her 96th year. Some time ago, however, she was stricken with paralysis, and has since been helpless. One of her brothers, Thomas Hall, lived to be 101 years and 4 days old, while another brother, John Hall, lacked only a few months of 100 years when he died at his home on North Matlack street.

Philip P. Sharpless, residing at the corner of Church and Dean streets, is the oldest native of West Chester, he having been born in the old Sharpless homestead, on Dean street, away back in 1810. His father was Nathan Sharpless, a son of William Sharpless, the first Chief Burgess of this place. Mr. Sharpless' birthplace is yet standing in the rear of the High Street Public School, and is the quaint brick building in which his son, Alfred D. Sharpless, resides. It was built by William Sharpless in 1801, and used for many years as a farm house, the town not extending so far to the south at that early day. Perhaps no old person in

the State has a better memory than Mr. Sharpless, and his reminiscences have oftentimes been noted down and will be preserved for generations to come.

#### SOME OCTOGENARIANS.

Octogenarians are numerous—quite numerous—in this quiet and healthy town, and here are some of those whose names are readily recalled:

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| George D. Ashbridge,    | Jane Smith,            |
| James H. Bull,          | Joseph Passmore,       |
| George W. Carver,       | Peter J. Smedley,      |
| Mrs. M. E. Crowell,     | Benjamin Spriggs,      |
| Thomas B. Darlington,   | Caleb Taylor,          |
| Pearson Embree,         | Martha Todd,           |
| Palmyra Evans,          | Townsend Walter,       |
| Jesse C. Green,         | Ephraim Wells,         |
| Davis Garrett,          | Alvin A. Meader,       |
| Thomas P. Hazzard,      | Annie E. Taylor,       |
| Hannah Hickman,         | Torbert Ingram,        |
| John Acker,             | Wellington C. James,   |
| Caleb H. Bradley,       | Eliza James,           |
| A. G. Compton,          | Lydia T. Jefferis,     |
| Sarah H. Darlington,    | Caleb H. Kinnard,      |
| Benjamin M. Everhart,   | James B. McClellan,    |
| Andrew Furlong,         | Edwin Otley,           |
| Jane Dennis,            | John R. Pierce,        |
| Henry Hayes,            | Susan Sharpless,       |
| Wellington Hickman,     | Rebecca C. Speakman,   |
| Ann Hannum,             | Jesse Taylor,          |
| Mrs. Joshua Hartshorne, | Mary Ann Taylor,       |
| Robert F. Hoopes,       | Wm. P. Townsend,       |
| Forrester Brown,        | John D. Worth,         |
| Louisa James,           | Hannah Webb,           |
| Mary Jackson,           | Sara Jane Magnire (93) |
| Edwin James,            | Mrs. Rebecca Williams, |
| Alice Lewis,            | Cloud Battin,          |
| Sarah Haines,           | Worrell Pyle,          |
| Elisha Phipps,          | Mrs. Eliza Malin,      |

## THREE HAPPY HOMES.

Institutions Which Have Been Established and are Doing Good.

**W**EST CHESTER is pre-eminently a town of homes. Few places can boast of more comfortable residences, in proportion to its size, and in few places is greater pride manifested in the care of grounds or beautifying of houses. This "homely" spirit is not confined to selfish ends and does not pause satisfied with providing pleasant homes for private families.

Three establishments, homes in the truest sense of the word, are situated here and are among the pleasantest places to visit.

#### FRIENDS' BOARDING HOME.

The first of these to be established is the Friends' Boarding Home, No. 444 North Walnut street. This is under the care of Concord Quarterly Meeting, and has been in existence since 1892.

In that year the charter was applied for by Hannah W. Sharpless, Emily Jackson, Sara S. Hall and Mary Darlington, who acted on behalf of the Meeting, and the object was set forth as being "to

provide a permanent abiding place for aged or infirm Friends or Friendly people."

That the home became deservedly popular is proved by the fact that the last annual report shows nineteen residents, besides the Matron and her assistants.

Last March a comfortable three-storied annex was added to the main building, connected with it by a covered corridor. This annex was designed for the use of men and aged couples, but so far only one man has availed himself of it as a permanent home.

Several of the new apartments are occupied by women, and the Matron, Mrs. Hannah W. Sharpless, has her room there.

Running expenses are paid from the board of residents and from voluntary contributions of interested friends.

The officers and Board of Managers are:

President, Lydia H. Hall, Swarthmore; Vice-President, Emma C. Bancroft, Wilmington; Secretary, Mary McAlister, Philadelphia; Treasurer, Mary Darlington, West Chester.

DARBY MONTHLY MEETING—Mary Mc-



FRIENDS' BOARDING HOME.

Alister, 304 N. 35th St., Phila.; Lydia E. Bidle, Lansdowne, Delaware county, Pa.; Sarah K. Bunting and Anna M. Bunting, Darby, Delaware county, Pa.

CHESTER MONTHLY MEETING—Kate D. West, Chester, Pa.; Sarah R. Hibberd, Media, Delaware county, Pa.; Ellen M. Booth, Chester.

SWARTHMORE MONTHLY MEETING—Lydia H. Hall, Swarthmore, Pa.; Elizabeth N. Garrett, Swarthmore, Pa.

GOSHEN MONTHLY MEETING—Abby C. Williams, Berwyn, Pa.; Isabella B. Kirk, Newtown, Delaware county, Pa.; Susanna Yarnall, White Horse, Chester county, Pa.; Margaret Pratt, Newtown Square, Delaware county, Pa.

CONCORD MONTHLY MEETING—Hannah H. Palmer, Concord, Pa.; Hannah T. Bunting, Glen Mills, Delaware county, Pa.; Anna M. Harvey, Ward, Delaware county, Pa.; Mary P. Harvey, Brandywine Summit, Pa.

WILMINGTON MONTHLY MEETING—Mary E. Pyle, 905 Franklin street, Wilmington, Del.; Emma C. Bancroft, Wilmington, Del.; Sarah M. Fell, Wilmington, Del.

BIRMINGHAM MONTHLY MEETING—Susan H. Woolley, 503 North High street, West Chester, Pa.; Mary Darlington, 26 East Washington street, West Chester, Pa.; Sarah S. Hall, 209 North Matlack street, West Chester, Pa.; Emily Jackson, 318 North Matlack street, West Chester, Pa.; Sarah A. Darlington, Pocopson, Chester county, Pa.; Hannah W. Sharpless, 441 North Walnut street, West Chester, Pa.; Anna P. Sharples, 402 South Church street, West Chester, Pa.

#### THE WENTWORTH.

The latest established of West Chester's homes is "The Wentworth," a cheerful, commodious house, on South Church street, near Dean, owned by John James.

The establishment is supported by the board paid by the residents, and by voluntary contributions of interested friends. During the past Winter the scheme of establishing "The Wentworth" originated in the minds of several public spirited women of the town, and from the first, Mrs. Richard G. Park was among the most enthusiastic of its supporters. The management is composed of the following representative women of the town:

President, Mrs. Richard G. Park; Vice-President, Miss Lizzie A. Thomas; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Rees Palmer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. Harry Cochran; Treasurer, Mrs. L. G. McCully; other members of the Board, Mrs. Marshall B. Hickman, Mrs. Arthur Rogers, Mrs. William H. Hodgson, Mrs. Joseph Kift, Mrs. M. A. Biehn, Mrs. Francis Darlington, Mrs. Isaac Hayes, Mrs. John A. Rupert, Mrs. William Lindley, Mrs. Francis Arnold, Mrs. Herman F. Wyers.

While the management is conducted on strictly non-sectarian principles, many of those who have promised their support are members of the churches and all the denominations have taken an active interest in reducing the plans to a working basis.

Miss Carrie Guss is filling the position of Matron and housekeeper.

Recently the young women of the town formed themselves into an auxiliary to assist the "The Wentworth" in many ways. The officers are:

President, Miss Frances Brooks; Vice-President, Miss Frances Massey; Secretary, Miss Maude Moses; Treasurer, Miss Lida D. Palmer. The membership numbers about fifty.



BARCLAY HOME

### THE BARCLAY.

The second home to be established in West Chester is the "Barclay," now quartered in its own comfortable house on West Chestnut street. The organization is in its sixth year, owns its property and supports a family of eight permanent and a varying number of transient boarders.

Since its incorporation, in 1894, the "Barclay" has been located in three residences. Its earliest days were spent in the house belonging to Burgess C. Wesley Talbot, at the corner of Church and Barnard streets. From this place it was moved to the property of Anna Mary Warrington, North Walnut street. It is now permanently located in the house of the late Jane Gibbons, on West Chestnut street, adjoining the Meeting House.

The Home is under the direction of the Society of Friends, which holds its Yearly Meeting at Fourth and Arch streets, Philadelphia. As in the case of the Friends' Boarding Home the establishment is maintained upon the sums received from the boarders, from annual subscriptions, and voluntary gifts of friends.

Miss Helena Conner was chosen Matron when the Home was opened and remained in this capacity for several years. After her resignation,

Miss Addie A. Haviland filled the position for a year, and was succeeded by Mary Emma Eldridge, who is now in charge.

The spirit of home-like comfort and quiet simplicity seems to pervade the house and to fill it with a restful, peaceful atmosphere.

The names of those who, at the beginning of the enterprise, were chosen Directors, are:

Deborah G. Brinton, Sarah E. Hall, Mary Emma Eldridge, Martha W. Hogue, Mary A. Temple, Phebe J. Walter, Anna E. Windl, of West Chester; Elizabeth C. Carter, East Bradford; Anne T. Eldridge, Birmingham; Susan C. Garrett, Westtown; Sarah W. Roberts, Malvern; Martha G. Sheppard, Media; Rachel A. Tattall, Wilmington, Del.

Many of these names still appear on the Board of Managers. Those chosen for the present year are:

President, Susanna Sharpless; Vice-President, Elizabeth Taylor; Secretary, Anne T. Eldridge; Treasurer, Adelaide B. Comfort. Other members of Board: Deborah G. Brinton, Sarah E. Hall, Susan C. Garrett, Martha W. Hogue, Mary A. Temple, Deborah C. Passmore, Emily H. Pim, Wilmington; Anna E. Winille, London Grove; Rebecca P. Haines, Malvern; Caroline C. Biddle, Media; Hannah J. Thomas, Whitford. Advisory Board—Edward H. Hall, Charles S. Carter, William Scattergood, Thomas B. Taylor, all of West Chester.

## THE TOWN'S POSTMASTERS.

Twenty-Three Men Have Filled the Position in West Chester.

SINCE the time of Cromwell Pierce, who was the first Postmaster in West Chester, while the century was young, there have been enough men in charge to make the whole number twenty-three. They have represented all shades of political belief and many religious faiths.

Until 1849, the Postmasters of West Chester were appointed by the Postmaster General, and since that time by the President.

In the early days it was customary to use a portion of the village store, but during the time of Dr. James B. Wood, who comes midway on the list, the Post Office was made a distinct business and the official in charge gave his entire attention to it. When Dr. Wood received the appointment he was located in a building on West Gay street, about where M. A. Biehn's building now is, but he removed the office to the south side of Gay street, where William J. Haley is now in business. There it remained for a number of years, but during the term of Gibbons Gray it was on north side of the same highway, in what was then known as the old ear office. While Wm. B. Darlington was the Postmaster the business stepped over to South High street, and remained for a long time in what is now the Farmers' National Bank Building, being removed thence by William Shields to the present location in David M. McFarland's building, on South Church street.

In the very early times it is remembered that John W. Townsend handed out letters in the building on the corner of High and Gay streets, where Thomas C. Hogue now is, and that one of his successors, John McGinley, was on the south side of Gay street, where Jesse E. Webb now is. George M. Yard, another early official, had his stand on West Gay street, in the building now occupied by Hilborn Cope.

The list of Postmasters to date, with the time of their commissions, is as follows:

Cromwell Pierce—1st January, 1804.  
 Job E. Remington—1st January, 1811.  
 Joseph Pierce—29th February, 1812.  
 John W. Townsend—1st October, 1814.  
 Jesse Kersey—23d February, 1827.  
 John Newlin—9th February, 1829.  
 Edgar S. Price—15th January, 1833.  
 Samuel C. Jefferis—19th February, 1841.  
 Hickman James—5th June, 1841.  
 John McGinley—10th May, 1843.  
 George M. Yard—13th November, 1846.  
 James B. Wood—2d May, 1849.  
 William A. Moore—23d May, 1853.  
 Gibbons Gray—3d June, 1858.  
 Franklin Taylor—11th May, 1861.  
 William B. Darlington—3d June, 1865.  
 George A. Mercer—31st January, 1877.  
 \*William Shields—11th February, 1885.  
 \*Ezra Evans—7th April, 1885.  
 John A. Pyle—3d February, 1887.  
 Herbert P. Worth—21st January, 1890.  
 Lewis C. Moses—11th April, 1894.  
 Harry G. Smith—27th June, 1898.  
 \*Died in office.

## YE ANCIENTE POUNDE.

Ye People Payed Theyre Shillings and Pence to Recover Estray Cattle.

ONE of the early evidences of culture in West Chester was the establishment of a public pound, which came in when the borough was young. It was at the time considered a great protection to the owners of property, as fences were few, and cows which were allowed to stray about the streets could do much damage to crops if not cared for. At that time there were no fancy lawns on Virginia avenue and West Union street to serve as green pages on which the animals might leave their autographs in the shape of deep foot prints, but the kitchen gardens abounded in fine cabbages and corn, which were greatly valued.

Cattle found running at large were driven into an enclosure and kept there until the owners appeared and paid the fines which were imposed by the authorities.

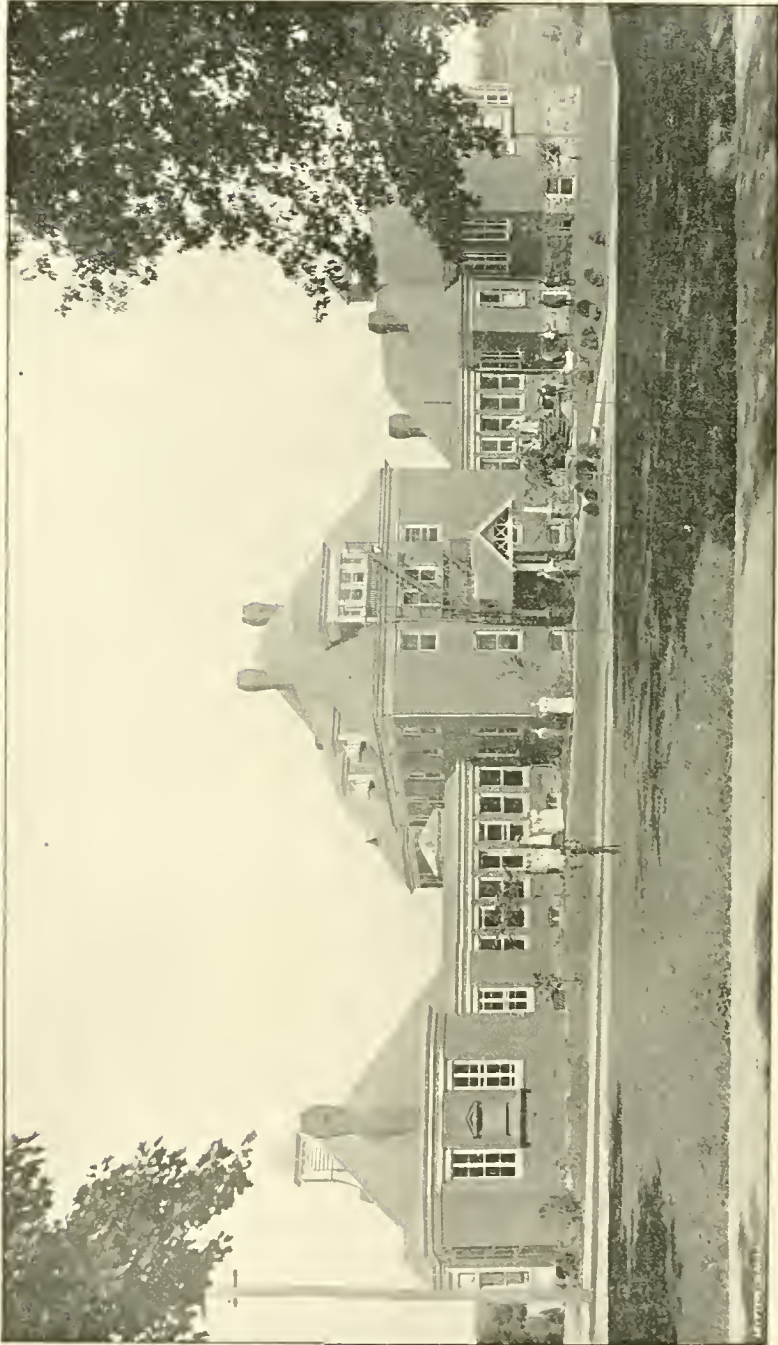
At the corner of Chestnut and Church streets, or near there, was a lot which, in the days of Chief Burgess Ehrenzeller, was used for this purpose. "Joe" Cave, the Constable, who then served the public by handling the writs and making the arrests, was diligent also in the line of cattle, and many a sukey brindle did he corral in the old yard, much to the disgust of the owner, who must pay the fine before milking time or lose a nice bucket of the rich, white liquid.

Sometimes the tables were turned on the Constable, who, although supported in his action, was not always able to keep from making enemies. One evening, it is said, a brindle bull with long horns and a voice which would do credit to the basso profundo of to-day, was seen on the streets and without a caretaker. He was speedily taken in charge and assigned to the place of detention, where he began pawing and bellowing in a way which attracted the populace, and among the people came the owner of the bull. The latter refused to pay the poundage, so was informed that he could wait until morning, at which time the gates would be opened if he should by that time be ready with the fine.

When morning came, the gates were found still locked, but the bull was missing, much to the dismay of the Constable and of the Burgess, one because the fine was not forthcoming, and the other because the law had been evaded. The matter was being talked over at the old White Hall, and after a number of theories had been mentioned, Judge Darlington, who was inclined to joke now and then, observed that the gates might have been merely lifted off their hinges. Burgess Ehrenzeller, who was present, responded to this, "Yes, and you are the man who suggested it."

At a later period the pound was removed to the neighborhood of Chestnut and Walnut streets, and afterward to West Barnard street, about where the homes of M. C. Colton and W. W. Sweney now are. There it remained for a long time, until about 1876 or 1877.

It is now near the Borough Stables, on South Matlack street, and though not so important to the public as it was long ago, it is still in use and of value.



THE CHESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.



# CHESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL.

A Young Giant Which Has Been of Much Use in the World.

**T**HE CHESTER COUNTY HOSPITAL, like the proverbial candidate, is in the hands of its friends. It is more. It has been elected to a place which it fills admirably, and its usefulness is such that the people regard it as a necessary part of the town and county. During its short life of less than eight years, it has grown to wonderful proportions and has furnished treatment to about 3000 patients.

The initiatory move toward this excellent project was taken in the rooms of the Philosophical Society, where the late Dr. Thomas D. Dunn read a paper setting forth the needs of such an institution in this vicinity. The seed was sown on fallow ground, and the plans soon afterward took tangible shape and resulted in organization for definite work. What afterward occurred is set forth thus:

In August, 1892, the Board of Managers organized, the officers then being the same who occupy the chairs to-day. A lot belonging to the late T. P. Apple, on the north side of Marshall street, oppo-

found one bitter cold night on the railroad under Gay street bridge, with both legs cut off just below the hips. He was cared for, and recovered. This gave the Hospital its first wide reputation, and brought applications from far and near, on the part of the sick and their friends. Before the next summer, twenty-three patients had been treated, nearly all with success.

Since that time the growth of the popular plant has been rapid and steady. During the same year the State gave an appropriation of \$5000 for building and \$2500 for two years' maintenance, and Mrs. Henry P. Norris endowed a room in memory of her late husband. Friends flocked to the assistance of the institution, with the result that money flowed in from every side.

On the last day of January, 1894, the main building was formally opened. At that time the property consisted of a lot 375 feet front by 175 feet deep, graded and planted with trees, shrubbery and grass, the whole being worth \$5740, and a building well equipped, worth \$14,260, thus making the total value of the plant \$20,000.

The year 1895 was an eventful one. September 1st Miss Julie King, who has since that time been the efficient Superintendent, was installed.

In July of the same year Mrs. Sarah R. Bull and Rev. William L. Bull, of Whitford, Chester county, notified the Board of Managers of their willingness to build an annex ward to the Hospital in memory of their daughter and sister, Miss Anne Bull.

In October, Mr. and Mrs. Bull made the gift of a second wing or annex, similar in plan to the first, to be erected as a memorial to her sister, Miss Jane Thomas.

The ground was broken and the two wings erected at a cost of \$12,000.

In April, 1897, a clinical and bacteriological laboratory was established, through the generosity of Dr. Thomas D. Dunn, who presented the Hospital with the appliances necessary for the study of bacteriology. Dr. Dunn was the first President of the Staff of Physicians, and at that time served in this capacity. After his death, which occurred in May, 1898, his fine professional library was presented to the Hospital by Mrs. Dunn.

During 1897 the new steam heating plant was placed in operation, and the interior of the main building was remodeled, one of the improvements being an operating room which is admirably fitted for its purpose and is thoroughly equipped.

In April, 1898, Rev. William L. Bull, of Whitford, offered to present to the Hospital a building for a nurses' home, to be a memorial to his mother, the late Mrs. Sarah R. Bull. A large lot of ground at the rear of the institution, and fronting on North Matlack street, was purchased for \$2500, and the building was begun. It is now in use, but has not been formally opened. Its total cost was over \$11,000.

October 6th, 1898, two cars were fitted up by the Hospital and sent to Camp Meade, Middletown,



DR. THOMAS D. DUNN.

site Marshall Square, was purchased at a cost of \$3800. A charter was procured, and the project was well under way.

October 31st, 1892, ground for a new building was broken, and on the first day of March the little brick structure which looked more like a play house than a hospital, was opened for the reception of patients. Miss Mary G. Marshall, of East Marlborough, now Mrs. William T. Sharpless, of this borough, took charge as head nurse and Superintendent.

One of the first patients was Benjamin Bush, who for years proved a card for the institution. He was



A GROUP OF TRAINED NURSES.

supplied with every necessity, with physicians, nurses and two of the managers in charge. Fifteen soldiers from the military hospital were placed in these cars and brought to West Chester. On the 29th, twelve more men were sent to West Chester, making a total of thirty-seven who were cared for in this institution.

During last year the total number of cases treated in the Hospital was 681, being 64 in excess of the previous year. The whole number treated up to the first of June, 1899, was 2546, and since that time the average has approached one hundred a month.

The buildings are perfectly equipped, and are visited by scores of persons every week, in addition to those who have business there. An elevator, steam heat, electric light and power, a modern laundry plant, and other conveniences make the institution well worth seeing.

The current expenses are somewhat over \$1200 a month, and last year the sum of nearly \$24,000 was expended, including the gift of \$10,000 for the Nurses' Home. A large portion of this was paid for improvements.

Up to the present time the appropriations from the State for building, furnishing and maintenance, amount to \$23,500.

The endowed rooms are in the names of Bessie Ebbs-Norris, 1894, and Sarah T. Johnson, 1896. The endowed beds are in the names of Sarah Ann Bull, Anne Bull, Mary T. Jones, Heloise Drexel Smith, 1894; Virginia Norwood, 1899. Three physi-

cians who were connected with the Hospital for a number of years, and who have since passed to their reward, were Dr. Thomas D. Dunn, Dr. Isaac Massey and Dr. Joseph E. Jones.

Following are lists of names associated with the management of the institution

#### BOARD OF MANAGERS.

President—R. T. Cornwell.  
Secretary—Miss M. G. Townsend.  
Treasurer—Wm. P. Sharpless.  
Term Expires 1900—Mrs. C. W. Roberts, George B. Thomas, R. T. Cornwell, Dr. T. E. Parke, Samuel Marshall.

Term Expires 1901—Mrs. Abner Hoopes, Dr. G. M. Phillips, Dr. J. T. Rothrock, Wm. P. Sharpless, Miss M. G. Townsend.

Term Expires 1902—Mrs. J. Gibson McIlvain, Mrs. H. P. Norris, Hon. S. E. Nivin; Wm. Scattergood, J. Preston Thomas.  
Superintendent and Head Nurse—Miss Julie King.

Matron of Nurses' Home—Miss V. L. Carhart.

#### MEDICAL STAFF.

President—Jacob Price, M. D.  
Secretary—Charles E. Woodward, M. D.  
Robert B. Carey, M. D., Mary H. Cheyney, M. D., Percy C. Hoskins, M. D., Edward Kerr, M. D., Ellwood Patrick, M. D., Charles R. Palmer, M. D., Joseph Scattergood, M. D., Wm. T. Sharpless, M. D.

Consulting Physician—Jacob Price, M. D.  
Consulting Ophthalmologists—George E. De Schweinitz, M. D., H. F. Hansel, M. D.  
Attending Ophthalmologist—Henry A. Rothrock, M. D.

Consulting Gynaecologist—Chas. P. Noble, M. D.  
Pathologist—Notman G. Catanach, M. D.  
Resident Physician—Emien Darlington, M. D.

## COMMITTEE ON TRAINING SCHOOL.

From Board of Managers—Dr. Thos. E. Parke,  
Dr. G. M. Philips, Miss M. G. Townsend.  
From Medical Staff—Dr. Jacob Price, Dr. W. T.  
Sharpless.  
From Women's Auxiliary—Dr. Frances Linton  
Sharpless.

## GRADUATES.

1895—Miss Lily North, Miss Nellie S. Howard.  
1896—Miss Lydia Francis, Miss Grace K. Apple  
Brinton, Miss Annie E. Matlack, Miss Laura E.  
McFarland.  
1897—Miss Mary M. Tyler, Miss Emma L. Rid-  
ings, Miss Frances B. Legg, Miss Anne O'Brien.  
1898—Miss Maud Gratz, Miss Sara Law, Miss  
Margaret Stevenson, Miss Maie Denny Harris,  
Miss Anna Dutton, Miss Caroline Gadhith, Miss  
Abbie Miller, Miss Mabel Kraiz.  
1899—Miss Emma Gorsuch, Miss Phebe H. Lopes,  
Miss Florence J. Thomas, Miss Clara May Such.

## LIFE MEMBERS.

\*Mrs. Sarah R. Bull, Whitford, Pa.  
Miss Anne Bull, Whitford, Pa.  
Mrs. Rachel M. Biddle, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Miss Sibyla Brinton, West Chester, Pa.  
Miss Susan Gorgas, West Chester, Pa.  
Mrs. Ruth P. Johnson, West Chester, Pa.  
Mrs. Henry P. Norris, West Chester, Pa.  
Mr. Richard G. Park, West Chester, Pa.  
Mrs. Richard G. Park, West Chester, Pa.  
Mr. D. E. Park, Pittsburg, Pa.  
Mr. Evans Rogers, West Chester, Pa.  
\*Mr. James C. Smith, Oakbourne, Pa.  
\*Mrs. James C. Smith, Oakbourne, Pa.  
Mr. John W. Townsend, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Mr. John Wyeth, Westtown, Pa.  
\*Miss Sarah S. Scattergood, West Chester, Pa.  
\*Miss Mary T. Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.  
Mrs. Caroline D. Lent, West Chester, Pa.  
William Bacon Parke, Downingtown, Pa.  
J. Preston Thomas, Whitford, Pa.  
\*Deceased.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Of all the factors which have gone to make the  
Chester County Hospital what it is, probably none  
has been more powerful than the Woman's Auxil-  
iary. As in the home the wife or mother looks after  
the thousand and one all important little things, so  
in the Hospital work the Auxiliary looks after many  
of the smaller details which might seem trivial, but  
which really prove in many cases to be of first im-  
portance.

Membership in the Auxiliary costs one dollar an-  
nually and this in itself amounts to a considerable  
sum. Membership fees, however, form but a small  
portion of the aid contributed. Every one of the  
eleven branches endeavors annually to make, by  
special effort, a goodly cash donation, besides send-  
ing a large quantity of supplies on Donation Day.  
Frequently these additional amounts count up to  
several hundred dollars.

Several of the county branches have furnished  
private rooms in the Hospital or have provided need-  
ed articles for use in the wards.

Visiting Committees, representing the various

branches, call frequently and are shown over the  
institution, reporting any needed articles to their  
home organizations, and keeping up interest by  
showing how help may be given.

The officers of the Auxiliary are:

President, Mrs. Thomas E. Parke, Down-  
ingtown; Vice Presidents, Hannah M. Sharpless, Lon-  
don Grove; Mrs. P. M. Sharpless, West Chester,  
and Mrs. J. Comly Hull, Berwyn; Secretary, Miss  
Martha G. Thomas, Whitford; Treasurer, Mrs.  
Hannah E. Wyers, West Chester.

The local branches are organized as follows:

1. BERWYN BRANCH—Organized September,  
1891.—President, Mrs. Joseph W. Sharp; Vice  
President, Mrs. G. S. Hutton; Secretary, Mrs.  
James Beale; Treasurer, Mrs. W. H. Fritz.

BERWYN JUNIOR BRANCH—President, Miss Ella  
Coates; Vice President, Miss Joseph N. Watson;  
Secretary, Miss Ethel Paxson; Treasurer, Miss  
Alice Hutton.

2. CHEYNEY BRANCH—Organized August,  
1893.—President, Miss Elizabeth Mison, Cheyney;  
Vice President, Mrs. George Green, Cheyney;  
Secretary, Mrs. Mary P. Cheyney, Cheyney;  
Treasurer, Mrs. J. H. Hornor, Concordville.

3. COCHRANVILLE BRANCH—Organized  
June, 1897.—President, Mrs. Minnie Neal, Coch-  
ranville; Vice President, Mrs. Priscilla Coates,  
Levercy; Secretary, Miss Mary P. Coates, Lon-  
donderry; Treasurer, Mrs. Elida Brown, Coch-  
ranville.

4. DOWNINGTOWN BRANCH—Organized  
August, 1893.—President, Mrs. J. Gibson McDivale;  
Vice President, Mrs. A. P. Tutton; Secretary, Mrs.  
I. F. Worrall; Treasurer, Mrs. Amanda Martin.

5. EAST MARLBOROUGH BRANCH—Or-  
ganized August, 1893.—President, Mrs. George S.  
Baker, Northbrook; Secretary, Mrs. Martha Seal  
Therne, Unionville; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary H.  
Smith, Unionville.

6. LONDON GROVE BRANCH—Organized  
August, 1893.—President, Sarah P. Forsythe; Vice  
President, Anna R. Butler; Secretary, Anna T.  
Chambers; Treasurer, Hannah M. Sharpless.

7. MARSHALLTON BRANCH—Organized Au-  
gust, 1891.—President, Mrs. Frank Leslie, Down-  
ingtown; Vice President, Mrs. Joshua Embree,  
Marshallton; Secretary, Miss Lillie Ferree, Mar-  
shallton; Treasurer, Mrs. Joseph Caldwell, W.  
Wasset.

8. NEW GARDEN BRANCH—Organized May,  
1896.—President, Miss Alice Hoopes; Vice Presi-  
dent, Mrs. Carey L. Lamborn; Secretary, Mrs.  
Enma P. Starr; Treasurer, Mrs. Mary J. Wck-  
ersham, Avondale.

9. WEST CHESTER BRANCH—Organized Au-  
gust, 1893.—President, Mrs. Philip M. Sharpless;  
Vice Presidents, Mrs. Thomas S. Butler, Mrs. Eli  
Palmer; Secretary, Mrs. Edgar J. Parker; Treas-  
urer, Mrs. F. S. Hickman.

10. WEST WHITELAND BRANCH—Organized  
December, 1892.—President, Mrs. Henry J. W.  
Allen, Glen-Lech; Vice President, Miss Deborah  
Downing, Whitford; Secretary, Miss Thomas N.  
Ashbridge, West Whiteland; Treasurer, Mrs.  
Anna M. Thomas, Whitford.

On last Donation Day the Auxiliary handed to  
the Board of Hospital Managers more than \$800  
in cash, besides filling the store rooms with an abun-  
dance of provisions of all kinds.



## WATER FLOWING FREELY.

Three Pretty Public Fountains Used and Admired in Season.

**W**EST CHESTER has within its borders several attractive fountains—drinking fountains, ornamental fountains, but no "fountain of youth," though men (and women as well) live to great ages here, and never seem to grow old.

The old public drinking fountain on the sidewalk opposite the Court House has served its purpose

well. Many a passing pedestrian daily pauses and partakes of a draught of the sparkling water which trickles unceasingly from its mouth, and weary horses seem to beam with gratitude as they slake their thirst from the basin in the rear, while even the canines find the stone receptacle at its base which was arranged for their use.

This fountain is a massive piece of marble, six feet in height and surmounted by a huge ball. It was built at the direction and expense of Mrs. John Hickman, whose husband was a distinguished member of Congress from this district, and was opened to the public in 1869. A more useful gift could not have been made by this public-spirited woman, and it will stand as her monument for many years to come.



HICKMAN FOUNTAIN.

## DEFIED AN INJUNCTION.

The handsome ornamental fountain which stands in the centre of Market street, near Church, was the gift of our townsman, Dr John R. Everhart, and connected with its erection there is a rather spicy piece of history.

When the fountain was delivered at its site, and the foundation constructed, two prominent citizens of West Market street offered their opposition to its erection and went so far as to apply to the Court for an injunction. But before such a legal writ could be served by the Sheriff, citizens turned out en masse at the midnight hour, and, assisted by a dramatic company which was filling a week's engagement here, the massive iron sections were raised and joined together in short order. When daylight dawned, there stood the fountain in all its beauty, with sprays of water trickling gleefully into its basins, while even the figure of the small boy clinging to the nozzle, seemed to smile serenely.

It was a memorable occasion, and when the hostile citizens emerged from their homes in the morning and wended their way toward their respective places of business, they gazed scornfully upon the scene. But there the fountain stood, and what could be done?

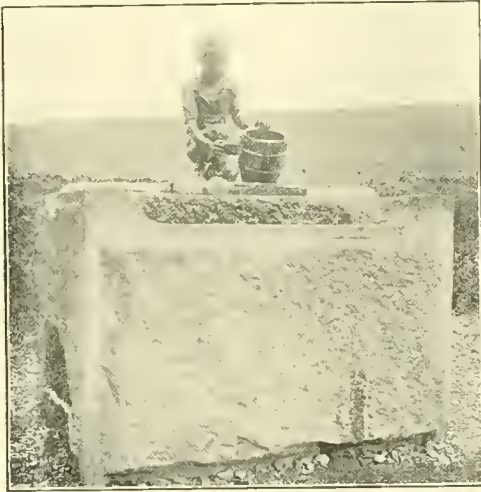
Injunctions could not restrain the erection of a fountain when it was already in position, and the

Sheriff quietly hid the writ away in his inside pocket.

The fountain is a pretty one—an ornament to the street—and is cared for by the borough, whose property it now is.

#### THE NEW CENTURY FOUNTAIN.

The drinking fountain at the extreme end of North High street is the monument of the New Century Club, by which organization it was erected a year ago at a cost of \$500, the funds being provided through the generosity of Mr. P. M. Sharples. Located upon one of the principal arteries of



CENTURY FOUNTAIN.

the town, this fountain is a great blessing to the beasts passing along this highway, and is quite extensively patronized.

The trough is a massive block of granite, upon the eastern side of which is the figure of a boy in a kneeling posture, with a tin drinking cup in the right hand, and a partly turned bucket in the left hand, from which receptacle water splashes into the trough. This figure is the production of Miss Martha G. Cornwell, of this place, a sculptress who has won an enviable reputation in New York city.

The property upon which this fountain stands at the roadside was donated by Mrs. Anna Warrington, and the duty of keeping the place in proper condition is vested in the borough authorities.

#### ONE AT THE PARK.

Another public fountain, solely ornamental in its character, is that which is located in the northeast corner of the park. It was built by the borough a few years ago, replacing an old one which had stood there for many years. The sprays of water as they sparkle in the sunlight and sprinkle over the surface of the water in the basin below, lend enchantment to this pretty spot, while myriads of goldfish dart about in all their glee in the sparkling pool, and the lazy carp moves slowly about apparently at peace with himself and all fishkind.

## MILITARY RECORD.

Showing Who of This Borough Went Forth in Their Country's Defense.

**A**LTHOUGH West Chester is known as a Friends' town—a place of peace, she has furnished, during the last one hundred years, her full quota of fighting men and has them now ready to do battle at the call of the country. She sent many to the Revolution, had her quota in the War of 1812, in the Mexican War and in the Rebellion many a resident of this place gave up his life or suffered serious wounds for his country. She figured largely in the internal troubles of the State, furnished her company for the Spanish War and to-day is represented in the Philippines by a number of young men who are with the regular Regiments battling against the Filipinos.

The earliest mention of a military force in Chester county, to which West Chester of course contributed her share, was during King George's War, in 1744. At that time two Regiments were recruited and organized. They were known as the "Associa-



ARMORY OF CO. I, 6TH REGT., N. G. P.

tors," and their object was to give battle to the Indians should the latter invade the county. During the French and Indian War, of 1754, there was another call for soldiers and a number of companies were organized, but they saw no service.

Coming to the Revolutionary War the "Associators" were fully organized, West Chester furnishing her quota of these soldiers, but there is no reliable data to be obtained regarding them, as respects West Chester. There were many members of the Fourth Pennsylvania Battalion from this place.

They were commanded by "Mad" Anthony Wayne and saw hard service, many of them being killed in the battle of Long Island. Francis Johnson was Lieutenant Colonel of this battalion. There were also a number of other organizations in the county in which West Chester men were enlisted during the war, but there is no record of a representative West Chester Company.

The "Whisky Insurrection" was made the subject of a call for troops by President Washington in 1794 and of these West Chester furnished a company of artillery and a troop of cavalry. The cavalry was commanded by Joseph McClellan, then Sheriff, who had served as a Captain of Infantry under General Wayne, and Aaron Musgrave commanded the battery. These companies went into the West with the command of Governor Henry Lee, of Virginia, and rendered valuable service in crushing the rebellion.

From this time until the commencement of the War of 1812 there was little activity in military circles in Chester county, but soon after the commencement of that struggle West Chester's patriotic citizens commenced preparations to assist the country and an infantry company, known as the "American Greys," was organized. This was attached to a Chester county Regiment, the "Second Pennsylvania Light Infantry," and soon became well drilled and was thoroughly equipped for service. After the destruction of the capitol at Washington it was feared the British would march upon Philadelphia and this Regiment was sent to Camp Marcus Hook under command of Colonel Louis Bache. It remained there from September to December, 1814, but it saw no actual service. The roll of this company is given in the State archives as follows:

Captain, Titus Taylor; First Lieutenant, Isaac Darlington; Second Lieutenant, Joseph Pearce; Sergeants, W. H. Taylor, Ziba Darlington, John Painter, John Hall; Corporals, John Logan, Russell Vüber, Eber Worthington, Henry Myers; Musicians, Jacob Burkers, George Davis (colored). Privates—Hiram Bailey, Joseph H. Brinton, Ethan Brinton, William Brinton, James Brinton, Thomas H. Brinton, Joseph Brinton, John Brinton, Robert Black, William Cox, Amos Darlington, William Dailey, Thomas DeWolf, Jacob Ehrenzeller, Eli Evanson, William Frederick, Robert Gamble, James Greer, Archibald Gardner, Lewis Hall, Joseph Iddings, Jacob Kechmle, John Lindsay, Stephen Marshall, Jonathan Matlack, Nathan Matlack, Hiram Morrow, Henry Myers, Joseph Nelson, Isaac Nichols, Myers Pierce, Caleb Parry, Harper Pearson, George Pearson, Thomas Rice, Thomas Sweeney, William Shields, William Townsend, G. S. Townsend, Vernon Taylor and Nathan Yearsley.

From the close of the War of 1812 there seems to have been an active military spirit in the county seat and the organizations were kept alive at all times, being detached companies and supported by the volunteers themselves, there being no appropriation made by the State as at the present day. The War with Mexico infused new life into these organizations, but none of them took part in it. There was a great desire among the men to do so, but they were not needed. A few, however, enlisted

in companies from other portions of the State and saw hard service under Generals Scott and Taylor. Among these, whose names were at one time or another associated with West Chester military organizations were Corporal Levi P. Knerr, of the First United States Voltigners, who was in nearly all the battles of the war; William S. Mendenhall, Captain of Company D, 97th Regiment, during the Civil War; Thomas King, John Yocum, Captain Columbus Penn Evans, Eleventh United States Infantry; Robt. Taylor and Irvin Parke, who was with the Sixth Louisiana Infantry. After this war the military remained inactive, but the organizations were kept up until the prospect of war with the South became strong.

During the terrible struggle between the North and the South West Chester furnished an enormous number of men, considering the size of the town. Seventeen companies were recruited here during the early portion of the war and then others went out as emergency commands when the Southern troops invaded Pennsylvania. In addition to these a number of squads of men left here to unite with other Regiments in the field and many West Chester men enlisted also at other points and saw hard service. The first company to leave this place for the front was Company G, Second Pennsylvania Infantry, which was organized on April 21, 1861. It was discharged from the service July 26 of the same year at Bunker Hill, Virginia. The roll of this command was as follows:

Captain, Benjamin H. Sweeney; First Lieutenant, Christian Wyck; Second Lieutenant, John H. Babb; First Sergeant, Charles H. Areson; Sergeants, Charles T. Sweeney, Charles Kelley, George Marshall; Corporals, John J. Hoopes, Franklin Eachus, John Schlegel; Joseph Sweeney; Musicians, Austin Fithian, George Brown.

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Privates—George Burns, Jesse J. Bennett, Edwin Birdsell, Harry Baker, Jacob Bucher, Thomas Cosgriff, Joseph Committe, Townsend Clark, Patrick Carter, William Carr, James Coughlin, Dominick Cummins, William Crawford, Edward Davidson, Thomas Dolly, Nathan Dawn-y, Smith Dritten, Henry Entriiken, Daniel Ferrill, Russell P. Smith, John Flynn, Jacob Graul, John Gillespie, Samuel Holmes, William H. Henn ssev, Amos Harry, James Hanlon, Franklin Hoopes, Willam E. Harp, Joseph Hendrickson, Walter Hibbard, Wait, Hillingsworth, Will am W. James, William Kirk, Joseph M. Lucas, John G. Marshall, Abraham Marshall, James McWilliams, James Mulligan, Abner McCartney, Ed. McWilliams, William Miles, William Moriarity, Patrick McCartney, Thomas Preston, John Rodeback, Mahlon Smith, William B Snyder, William F. Smith, George F. Smith, Samuel Servord, Joseph Steel, John Sullivan, John Springer, Joseph Stedden, Milton Taylor, Joseph H. Taylor, Robert Williams, Joseph M. Windle, Caspar Wickersham, John Warrmouth, Charles Whiting, James Watts, James West, Joseph H. Walton, William Watters, Jacob Yough, Alfred Young.

Among the other companies which went out with the three-months men were Companies A, E and F, of the Ninth Infantry. The officers of these commands were:

Company A—Captain, Henry R. Guss; First Lieutenant, Francis M. Guss; Second Lieutenant, Richard D. Townsend.

Company E—Captain, James F. Andress; First Lieutenant, DeWitt C. Lewis; Second Lieutenant, W. Montgomery Hinkson.

Company F—Captain Samuel Huffley, Jr.; First Lieutenant, David Jones; Second Lieutenant, Joseph T. Burnett.

The first command to leave for three years was Company A, First Pennsylvania Reserves (Brandywine Guards). It was organized June 9, 1861, and was a portion of the Army of the Potomac. It fought at Gaines' Mill, Charles City Cross Roads, South Mountain, made a daring charge at Fredericksburg, fought at Gettysburg and at Spottsylvania and was mustered out on June 13, 1861. Its officers were:

Captains, Henry M. McIntyre, promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel; John W. Nields, promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel; Emmor B. Cope, promoted from Sergeant; Mott Hooton, breveted Major; First Lieutenants, Charles B. Lamborn, promoted to Lieutenant-Colonel; Robert Putney, promoted from Corporal; Cheyney W. Nields, Brenton J. Parke, breveted Captain; Second Lieutenant, Philip Price, promoted from First Sergeant.

Companies B and F, Forty-ninth Infantry, were recruited here and served from September 14, 1861, to July 15, 1865. They were commanded by:

Company B—Captains, George F. Smith, William B. Freeman, died of wounds; E. J. Heckman, promoted to Major; Robert G. Barr, died of wounds; John S. Bratton; Edward T. Swain, promoted from Lieutenant; First Lieutenant, Isaac B. Parker, Samuel H. Irvin; Second Lieutenants, B. H. Downing, John J. Hight.

Company F—Captains, Benjamin F. Sweeney, William Sherwood, Joseph B. Downing; First Lieutenants, John H. Gray, F. W. Wombacker, Abraham T. Hilands, Josiah L. Barton, John D. Howell; Second Lieutenants, Don Juan Wallings, Robert Davison, William H. Glass, William M. Irvin.

Of the Ninety-seventh Regiment, Chester county's favorite command, Companies A, (Paoli Guards), E (Mulligan Guards), F and H were recruited in this place, making a splendid record. They were recruited in 1863 and served until August 26, 1865. Henry R. Guss, of West Chester, was its Colonel.

The officers were:

Company A—Captains, Galusha Pennypacker, promoted to Major; Francis M. Guss; William Martin, promoted to Major; Lewis E. Humpton; Robert L. Black, promoted from Lieutenant; First Lieutenants, L. Y. Evans, William Pearce, Abel Griffith; Second Lieutenants, Thomas E. Weber, Isaac J. Burton, Frank C. Henry, Henry T. Gray.

Company C—Captains, Leonard R. Thomas, promoted to Major; H. W. Carruthers; George W. Abel, promoted from Lieutenant; First Lieutenants, Emmor G. Griffith, Francis I. Eichus; Second Lieutenants, William Gardner, died on transport Boston; Isaac Smedley, H. Kauffman, Jr., Charles Warren.

Company E—Captains, William McConnell, Samuel D. Smith; First Lieutenants, John H. Babb, John McGrath, John G. Nicholson; Second Lieutenants, John McNamee, John Sullivan, James McWilliams.

Company F—Captains, DeWitt C. Lewis, breveted Lieutenant-Colonel; Lewis P. Mallin; First Lieutenants, Joseph T. Burnett; John Wainwright, breveted Colonel; Isaac J. Nichols; Second Lieutenants, Oliver E. Strickland, Thomas Cosgriff, John E. Huntsman.

Company H—Captains, Charles Mellyvaine, Theodore M. Smedley; First Lieutenants, David Jones, Thomas S. Taylor, Elwood P. Baldwin, Phares P. Brown, George H. Durnall, killed at Bermuda Hundred; Second Lieutenants, George A. Le-maister, Isaac L. Dutton, Lewis H. Watkins, killed at Bermuda Hundred.

In the 124th Regiment were Companies A, E, F and C, and they were recruited for nine months, rendering excellent service. Their officers follow:

Company A—Captains, Joseph W. Hawley, promoted to Colonel; Allan M. Davis, Charles W. Roberts; First Lieutenant, Samuel G. Smith; Second Lieutenants, John A. Groff, Isaac Finch, died of wounds.

Company E—Captains, Edwin Otley, Richard D. Townsend; First Lieutenants, William Lynch, Josiah Burnett; Second Lieutenant, Thomas J. Townsend.

Company F—Captains, Frank Crosby, James A. Eicholtz; First Lieutenant, William D. Christman; Second Lieutenant, W. H. Whitehead.

Company G—Captain, Edward F. James; First Lieutenant, Philip D. Haines; Second Lieutenant, William S. Able.

Company M, Twentieth Cavalry, was recruited here in 1864 and served to the end of the war. Its officers were:

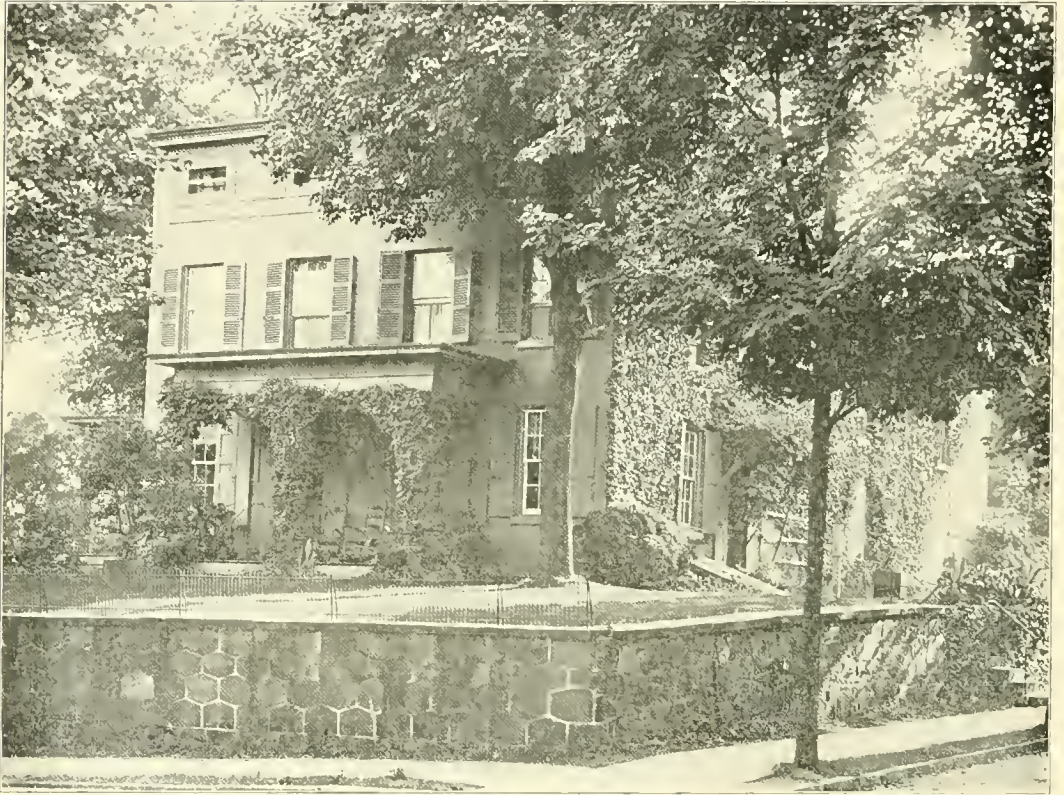
Captain, L. Y. Evans; First Lieutenant, B. H. Sweeney, promoted to Captain; Alfred Brinton; Second Lieutenants, John H. Babb, Payne A. Gould.

In addition to the commands noted above there were a number of emergency commands raised at different periods of the war. Among these were Companies A, D and F, of the Tenth Regiment, an independent company commanded by Wayne Meveagh, Company A, D and E, of the Forty-third, Regiment; Companies A and E, of the Forty-third, and an independent battery raised by Captain Geo. R. Guss in 1863.

Since the Civil War there has been considerable activity in military circles and the town has never been without a command. At one time it had three infantry companies and a section of a battery, but at present has but one company of infantry, Company I, of the Sixth Infantry, N. G. P., commanded by Captain Gibbons Gray Cornwell and Lieutenants Granville S. Bennett and Herman J. Smith. This command, although it did not get a taste of real service, answered the call for troops for the Spanish War and spent several months of inactivity in camp at Mount Gretna, Falls Church, Va., Camp Meade and other places. The first duty after the Civil War was performed by the West Chester Grays, Company E, under Captain James E. McFarlan; Wayne Fencibles, Company I, of the Eleventh Regiment, and a section of Griffin Battery, of this place, under Lieutenant George R. Guss, which went to Pittsburg in 1877 to assist in quelling the riot there, and performed good service, taking the first engine from the strikers at Altoona and the first train out of Pittsburg. The Delaney Guards, colored, Captain Levi Hood, were also called out and stationed at Malvern. In the same year Captain McFarlan took a volunteer company, made up of members of the Eleventh Regiment, to the coal regions, where they performed valuable service during the strike of the miners. The next call to arms was during the Homestead riot of 1892, when Company I, Sixth Regiment, Captain S. M. Paxson, responded. The company was encamped on this occasion at Mount Gretna for twelve days, but its services were not required. When this company was called out to the Spanish-American War, Captain Paxson organized Company M, of the Twentieth Regiment, which was disbanded a few months ago.

## PHILIP P. SHARPLES' STORY

Of Where the Houses Stood When West Chester Was in Her Infancy.



PHILIP P. SHARPLES' RESIDENCE.

**A**T THE celebration of West Chester's Centennial it is fitting that her oldest native voter should be heard from, and for this reason Philip P. Sharples writes as follows regarding the houses as he knew them when a boy:

Being the oldest native voter of West Chester, I am often called on for recollections of the town, and urged to write them, for future reference. I was born 1810, 4th mo. 26th. My first certain date in regard to the town was in 1814, when coming down the Wilmington road by myself and passing the rendezvous on that road for the enlistment of troops for that war, I was much frightened at the appearance of some of them clad in red, the musicians, I suppose; one of them, George Davis, a colored man, was known to me.

At that time, only thirty-two years after the close of the Revolutionary War, there were many of the old veterans on the stage of existence and their home life was still the same as before the war.

The county seat of government was not removed to West Chester until 1786, twenty-four years before my birth. The few houses that surrounded

the county buildings were in West Goshen, and under the control of the township.

In 1799, eleven years only before my birth the town of West Chester was erected into a borough by an Act of the Legislature, and was thenceforth under the control of a local government; sufficient accommodation having been provided for the Court and those attending it, the town almost ceased to grow.

My first recollections of it, as already stated, was about 1814; at that time the inhabitants were few (about 500) and much scattered. The streets as named at present were High, Gay, Church, Walnut and Market streets, with an alley north of the Court House; to add to these there was the Goshen Street Road on the north boundary line of the borough which was previous to the settling of the town the main line of travel in this vicinity from the East to the West. The Strasburg road, laid out in 1794, now called Hannum avenue, the Boot Road, now Patton avenue, and the road leading from the Wilmington Road to Strode's Mill, now called Rosedale avenue;—these include all the streets and roads at



the time mentioned (1814), but it must be remembered that Market and Chestnut extended only one square east and west, from High street, whilst Church and Walnut extended one square north and south of Gay street, being each of them but two squares in length.

Having described all the streets and roads in the town as they existed in 1814 and as they continued to exist until 1829, I will now ask my readers to accompany me on foot, in a ramble around the old town as I recollect it in my younger days. In our walk, I propose commencing at the toll gate (torn down in 1898), near the Normal School on High street. Confining our walk to the east side of the way we shall proceed north, describing the different

no public road to it, but the owners had a right of way through the farm of Dr. William Darlington, to High street, now owned by Peter Kerns.

There was a log house with a shed attached to the west end, nearly opposite the Normal School, near Linden street. The first occupant remembered was George Patchell, a weaver. His shop was in the lean-to next the street. The house was probably owned by Isaac Haines, the first to settle it. He received it by the will of his father. The late Judge Haines is said to have been born in the house.

Continuing north we come to the residence of J. Dennis Whelen, a brick farm house erected, most likely, by Joseph McClellan, about the year 1792 or 1793. The stone barn was to the east, about where



MRS. BESSIE EBBS NORRIS' RESIDENCE.

properties as we come to them until we reach Goshen Street Road. Crossing High street to the west side we will return to the starting point, Rosedale avenue and in the same way it is proposed to walk over the whole town, pointing out all the houses that are remembered that were built before my time, and then stating the materials out of which they were constructed. But few of them are left.

Where the owners of houses lived in them it is not so difficult to remember them, but tenants were often changing.

The first house to mention was one of frame in the extreme southeast section of the town directly east of the toll gate on High street. It was owned by James Grier, formerly a Constable of West Chester. The house has been much improved, or rebuilt; there were a few acres attached. There was

Walnut street has since been laid out. The barn was burned in the forties and the house enlarged after being sold by Dr. Darlington. It is now occupied by Mrs. R. Jones Monaghan.

North of Rees Palmer's, but south of Union street, was a log tenant house occupied by Samuel Davis, a colored man with a family of children, one of them, George, being enlisted in the War of 1812, as a musician.

The land lying north of the present Union street, until we reach the Turk's Head, and north of it to the Hemphill building, belonged to the Patton family, and there was not a house on it except the Brick Tavern, then kept by John Patton. The house was two stories high. It has been increased in depth on High, and in front on Market street until it must have at least four times the capacity it



MISS SARAH R. BOWMAN'S RESIDENCE.

had when used as a farm house. The pump was on the south side of Market, near High street and the stable was on the north side and came down to Market street.

Where the Hemphill building now stands there was a large willow tree and some twenty feet back from the line of the street was a small frame office, one story high, belonging to Wm. Hemphill, Esq., the grandfather of the present Judge Hemphill.

William Sharples had a store next door, built in 1792, of brick, the house adjoining it having been built a few years before. There were two doors of entrance, one into the store and the other into the house; the latter has been walled up and is now occupied as a window; this is about the only change made in front. (The front rooms are occupied by Thomas W. Marshall on the north and Chester P. Martindale on the south). Over the store, I believe was started the first printing press in the present county of Chester. (The room is now the office of Charles H. Pennypacker, Esq.).

In 1818 this building was bought by the Bank of Chester County, which still owns it. The first watchman's box was placed on the southwest corner of the pavement after the bank owned the building.

The ground on which the Bank of Chester County stands was owned by William Hemphill, Esq. There was a large well built stone dwelling house on it with four rooms on the first floor, it is believed, but no back building. The favorite shade trees were in front, the Lombardy poplar. To the

north end of the house, on the land of William Townsend, there was a small shed roofed building, rented by Dr. Isaac Thomas. When he first settled in West Chester, he boarded next door with Ann Hemphill, after the death of her husband, which took place in 1817.

Continuing north the next was the store of Townsend & Hoopes; it was a clever sized frame building that had been occupied by Job Remington, whose sign long remained in use on my father's farm, for various purposes. On the completion of the present store on the southeast corner of Gay and High streets, Townsend & Hoopes moved into it and rented the old store to Charles Miner for a printing office. It stood where the drug store of William A. Pierce now stands.

On the corner there was a frame saddler shop; this, it is thought, was in the occupancy of Jesse Darlington. It was moved about half way to Walnut, on Gay.

On the opposite corner was the Green Tree, occupied by David Lewis, a member of the Society of Friends on the hill, which took him to task for selling liquor distilled from grain. The offence seemed to be the wrong use of grain and not selling the liquor. On David's promising to discontinue the practice he was retained in membership. The house was small and of brick; it has been greatly enlarged.

Continuing our walk north, the first house was the stone meeting house, then but recently built on a lot formerly belonging to the county; from there to Goshen Street Road there was no building.



SHARPLES HOMESTEAD—RESIDENCE OF A. D. SHARPLES.

On the top of the hill one hundred or more feet from High street, stands on the south side an old stone farm house inhabited by Thomas and Mary Hoopes; the barn was to the east. It now belongs to Anna Mary Warrington.

This closes our walk on the east side of High street, and it is now proposed to return by the west side of the same to the starting point.

The first is a stone tenant house on the southwest corner of Gosben Street Road and High street, formerly occupied by William Perdue.

Continuing south the first dwelling we come to is the brick farm house of George Ashbridge. It was some distance back from the road. The entrance was by a lane a little north of Washington street. On the south side of the lane was a row of cherry trees. This house was for a time used as a meeting house. On being bought by John Rutter, it was removed to its present site to make room for North Church street, to be extended. It was for some years in the possession of T. Roney Williamson, but is now owned by Gibbons Gray Cornwell.

The next house was on the northwest corner of Gay and High streets, now occupied by Elmer E. Pierce. It was built by Dr. Joseph Moore, previous to 1799, in which year he died. It took the place of a school house. The first occupant remembered was John W. Townsend. Caleb Brinton afterwards lived and died there. He was succeeded by his son, George, who ended his days in the same house. There has been but little change in its outside appearance. Jonathan Travilla occupied it for a number of years.

On the opposite corner was the property of

Charles Kenny. The house was of stone and included two rooms and an entry in front. The north room was used as a parlor and the south room as a store, kept by Ezekiel White, with an entrance from the street. Jonathan C. Hare and Mary E. Rupert now own the ground.

The next stone building south was used by John Duer, Esq., as an office and dwelling. The floor has been lowered, a brick front added and it is used by Sergeant & Atkins, druggists.

South of John Duer lived Samuel and Margaret Jefferis in a small stone house which afterwards became the book store of Samuel M. Painter.

The Washington Hotel of brick came next and extended to the alley north of the Court House. The stables were opposite the jail on the alley and were burned down some years since. The tavern was kept by John Jefferis. David Meconkey purchased the last two buildings and occupied the land with the present house, known as the Assembly Building.

Cross the alley to the south and we come to the public property. The first is the stone Court House. It was on the northeast corner of the lot fair with the line of the street and the alley, nearly 40 feet square, with the door to the south. The Judge's seat ran all along the north wall, elevated some five feet above the floor; the attorneys and jury half that height. The open stairs were in the southeast corner of the room and landed on the second floor in an entry that reached all across the east end, with the stairs into the garret up from the north end of the entry. The upper floor was divided into three rooms; the south one was for the Grand Jury, the north room was divided by a partition running north

and south; the second room was reached by a half entry. The Grand Jury room being one of the largest in the town it was often used for other purposes not relating to county affairs, and prior to 1813 the Court House was the only place of public worship except the Chapel. In 1825 General Lafayette took dinner in this room.

In 1814 the townships of East and West Goshen, East Bradford, Westtown, Birmingham and the Borough of West Chester, all had their polling places in the Court House. It was a day of drinking, rioting and settling of old grudges.

On the southeast corner of the public lot was a brick building said to be fire proof, in which were contained all the public records except those belonging to the Sheriff. The first floor contained four rooms with arched brick ceilings. The two front were occupied by the officers and the back ones by the records. The stairs were on the northwest corner, outside of the building and at first open to the weather, but afterwards closed in. The foot of the stairs was on the north side, but the entrance to the rooms was on the west. There were but two rooms on the second floor; the north one used by

Charles Kenny, who was Register of Wills and Recorder of Deeds from 1809 to 1818.

The stone jail was on the northwest corner of the lot. The ground floor was in the shape of an L. The Sheriff's dwelling and office was in the south end. The door of entrance was from the east. On the left was the Sheriff's office with the bar for selling liquor in the northwest corner, with the kitchen behind it. On the right of the entrance was the place of the prison. Both the yards of the prisoners extended to the alley, as well as the cells for the prisoners. All were allowed the use of the common hall and yard in the day time, and many of the young men of the town were in the practice of going in to play ball with the prisoners and others, and but little care was exercised over those who wished to visit the prisoners. The allowance for food was one pound of bread per day and as much more food and liquor as they chose to purchase, or their friends would give them, and many a good meal they received from some kind neighbor.

Directly west of the county offices, on the public property, on Market street, was a small frame building in which the First West Chester Fire en-



CHURCH STREET, NORTH FROM MARKET.

the County Commissioners and the south one was rented to the new Bank of Chester County, in 1814, where it continued until the old banking house was purchased, in 1818, of Nathan H. Sharpless. In front of the offices were several Lombardy poplars. One morning there was an exhibition of a stuffed paddy on one of these trees with a necklace of potatoes round its neck, intended as a rough joke on

gine was kept. There was a long, heavy ladder, one large, strong fire hook that required several men to handle it and two small ones that belonged to the fire company. They were hung up in the market house, that joined the engine house on the north of the market and engine houses. There was a large rectangular cistern with a pump in it for the use of the firemen. It was supplied with



TIMOTHY S. BRICK'S RESIDENCE.

water from the roofs of the Court House and public offices that stood close by. The small market house, about 30x10 feet long, was also on the public property, west of the engine house, and built in the old fashioned open style. There was no fence around the open ground east of the jail or south of the Court House and the yard could be entered from either High or Market streets.

The Black Bear Tavern (they were all taverns then) was of brick, situated on the southwest corner of High and Market streets; the barn and stables of stone, being along the street to the west, the property extending up to the alley and south to the north line of the electric railroad station, or Olof Stromberg's. The tavern was not a popular one, but was wanted on public occasions, when the small town was filled with people from the country.

The next house was Olof Stromberg's, built of logs and the frame shop was added in my time. It has recently been taken down to make room. Olof kept one horse for hire, one of the first in the town to do so.

Sarah White owned the next house, built of logs, recently taken down. She married A. McGarvey, and a second marriage was to George Hutchison. She kept a small candy store much frequented by the children.

Her next neighbor was Rebecca Guest, who lived in a log house with a small frame lean-to on the south side of the house, but connected with it by an inside door. There was also an outside door to the street. The shed was occasionally rented, and the door between the house and shed closed. As this only left the out-let to the street, it was the small

boy's chance to fasten the inmates in when it was dark. John, the husband of Rebecca, was insane, and was left to wander about the country night and day, as the whim might take him, as was the custom at that time. He was harmless, but the children were afraid of him, although he had nothing to say to them.

Robert Black resided in the stone house the second door above Miner street. The house is still standing, but has had a brick front added to it. After Robert moved from it Jabez Hoopes moved into it and built a hatter's shop south of it.

Keziah Pugh, a white woman lived alone in a log house back from High street some thirty feet. It stood on the south side of the ground now occupied by Miner street. Keziah made her living by spinning pulling flax or working in the harvest field.

South of this house, now the corner of High and Miner streets, was a long double roomed log house with a narrow portico the length of the house, with several Lombardy poplars closely in front. The rain from the roof of the porch washed the dirt from the roots of the trees and made a good place for the bare-foot boy to stomp his toes. This was the rendezvous spoken of in the first part of this sketch and in 1818 was the first home of Charles Miner and his family in West Chester.

The next building was of log used as a cabinet-maker's shop, with a cart way between the shop and house, last mentioned. Over the cart way was a small room connecting the shop and house. At one time the shop was used as a school room by William Chase. His father, Ezra Chase, harness maker, lived on Walnut street in the house now

occupied by Caleb Taylor as a store. It was in plain sight of the front door and window of the school room.

At that time there was no town clock and watches were high priced and scarce. There was but one watch in the family and the mother thought her dinner was of more importance to her than the school, so she kept the watch, but agreed when the time came to break school she would hang out a red petticoat by the door. Whittier truly says of those days, "Slow creeping into school, but storming out to play."

The next lot south was 100 feet in front with a log house on the street about the centre of the lot, rented by Jesse Lee, a receiver of petty thefts; a place for colored people to frolic in, but Jesse

Charles Derrick's son rented a log house that was originally built for a cabinet shop. The chimney was of stone in the southwest corner. The house was taken down about 1819.

There was another log tenement on Dean street, near the southwest corner of Joseph Kift's garden. To the west end of the house was a lean to, said to have been used as a wheelwright shop.

The brick house now owned by Alfred D. Sharples was built by William Sharples, his great-grandfather, who had received the land by will from his father, Nathan Sharples.

Daniel Spackman lived in the stone house now owned by D. M. McFarland. At that time the farm was assessed at one hundred acres; it extended from the Wilmington road to the East Bradford line



CALEB TAYLOR'S STORE—THE OLD EST HOUSE IN THE TOWN.

was very indignant when any one of them was caught there; to think any one should think he would make his house a depot for stolen goods!

Philip Derrick lived in a log house, the last in the town; all the rest was farm land. He was a printer and one of the best educated men of the town; his frame printing office was back on the lot. The well is now under the street. Dr. Darlington was much indebted to him for his knowledge of the languages.

The next field was part of the farm of William Wollerton. It extended down to Patton's orchard, now the property of the Episcopal Church. It was the only land William Wollerton owned, and it was one of these lots that William Everhart first offered at public sale.

There was no house south of Philip Derrick's until you came to Dean street.

and from the north line of the Fair Grounds to Rosedate avenue. It was part of the land which John Haines, of New Jersey, willed to his son, Isaac, about 1728. The stone house has been much improved. The frame barn was southeast of the house. This completes the record of all the houses on High street.

Our next place of starting will be at the east end of Gay street, north side. From this point until we reach Matlack street, there was not a single house; land all belonged to the Matlack family.

The first frame dwelling house was that of Joshua Jackson in the same place as the furniture room of Joseph B. Smith. He was a wheelwright. The log shop was to the east of the house on the street. There was a small frame barn in the rear of the shop which was burned down when I was quite a child.



WILLIAM M. HAYES' RESIDENCE.

The Eagle Tavern on the northwest corner of Gay and Walnut streets was about one-third its present size. It was much used by the teamsters who were engaged in hauling from the West. The tavern yard was where it now is, the old stables standing near where the present sheds are. The practice at that time was for the teamster to carry a feed trough at the back of his wagon. On his arrival at the tavern where he expected to pass the night, the horses were released from the wagon and harness, the trough was placed on the tongue and the horses hitched to it and fed on oats carried in the wagon. If very economical the driver would carry his food and blanket with him, sleeping on the bar room floor, letting the profits on a glass of whisky or two pay for his accommodation.

The first tenant now remembered was the Widow Mason, one of whose daughters married Robert Irwin, at one time Sheriff of Chester county, afterward Keeper of the prison for several years.

Continuing west there was no dwelling between the Eagle and the Green Tree.

Passing by the Green Tree and the house on the northwest corner of High and Gay street, which we have already noticed, we come to the brick office and dwelling of Joshua Weaver, a tall, dignified gentleman who it is believed transacted the most of the business in his line at that time. The house stood in the same place now occupied by the store of the late Samuel J. Parker.

Kitty Hemphill lived in the stone house next, west, and for her neighbor had Susan Quinn. She also lived in a stone house.

At a little distance stood the brick office of Dr. William Darlington, adjoining his brick dwelling, now the Dunlap building and until recently the furniture rooms of Abraham Williams.

In 1820 Townsend Haines lived in the next brick house. Afterward Ziba Pyle occupied. At the time Lafayette visited West Chester, in 1825, he slept in the house.

On the northeast corner of Church and Gay street there was a stone shop said to have been used by Jabez Hoopes for a hatter's shop, afterwards the office of Ziba Pyle.

On the next corner, west, was the stone house of Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller. It was about four feet from the line of Church street, with a small porch on Gay street and seats on each side, without a roof. The Doctor was old, looked sour and crusty. The children were much in fear of him. He had a large box of German pictures which were a great delight to the children, when they could muster enough courage to ask him to see them, and it is not recollected that he ever refused them. It is suspected these pictures had been carried upon a man's back and shown for a small compensation.

Edward Miller's home came next. It was of stone. He was a German and the grandfather of the present Edward Miller, conductor on the Phil-



JEROME B. GRAY'S RESIDENCE.

adelphia and West Chester Railroad. Edward was a Friend, or Quaker. He sat facing the meeting and had the care of the house at a compensation of \$20 per year; by trade he was a shoemaker.

Elisha Ingram lived in a brick house near where the store of E. Malin Hoopes now is. Jonathan Valentine had a small frame store next to it.

Some distance west was the tailor shop and dwelling of Thomas Sweeney, having a house full of children, from whom are descended the most of those of that name who have been natives of West Chester.

Continuing our walk west, the next is a log dwelling occupied by Thomas Ogden. To the west of it stood a log cabinetmaker's shop, in which Thomas carried on his business. They both stood back some twenty or thirty feet from the street. The previous tenant or owner was said to have been John Woolley, an old school master. Darlington street now occupies the site.

The brick Chapel was the last house on Gay street, all west of it to the borough line being farm land. There were but few Catholics here and the house was seldom opened.

Cross south on Gay street and starting east from the west borough line, all the land belonged to William Wollerton, until we reached the frame house of Henry Courtsen.

The West Chester Academy came next; the lot contained one acre, running down to the present Market street, at that time the farm of William Wollerton.

Continuing east the first frame house was that of Henry Court, Jr., son of Henry Court, Sr. He was a butcher and supplied the town with what little fresh meat was wanted. The farmers depended on salt meat most of the year, killing a chicken, sheep, lamb or calf when wanted, which was but seldom.

The next house, east, was a little red frame one, still standing in which Susan Webb taught school. She came to Philip Price's, from Philadelphia Hospital, after having a cancer removed from her breast. From there she drifted to West Chester, where she taught school. She lost her life by walking into the Delaware River off the wharf.

A large lot came next, on which there was a stone barn or stable about 20 feet square, the front being up to the line of the street. To whom it belonged is not recollected; it stood alone.

Robert Sproul came next. He lived in one end of a double frame, hip roofed house; who lived in the other end is not remembered at present.

The brick house of Isaac Darlington, Esq., afterward Judge, came next. There were two Lombardy poplars in front. Indeed the poplar was almost the only ornamental tree in the street.

Joseph Clark had a frame store, one story high, adjoining it; on the east was his stone dwelling house with narrow porch in front.

Daniel Heister formerly lived in the stone house, afterward bought by Dr. Isaac Thomas, where he lived until 1839. Daniel was, in 1800, Prothonotary and Clerk. He served about nine years. In 1814 he



was Cashier of the Bank of Chester County, and in 1821 Register of Wills and Recorder of Deeds.

Elisha Ingram occupied or owned the double brick house on the southwest corner of Gay and Church street. Tradition says John W. Townsend made this his home soon after his marriage in 1812.

Cross Church street, the Cross Keys is the next house built of stone with the small kitchen at the southeast corner of the house, leaving room between it and Church street for a small yard, in which was a porch for the accommodation of the bar room, with a few trees for shade. The stables and sheds were on Gay street; the lot extended from the corner on Church to the west line of the house now in possession of J. Herbert Mullin. The landlady

meeting and dressed quite plainly. She died in 1830, 3d-mo. 17th. The house in which Joseph Worth lived until recently, and which is now supplanted by Max Meyer's building was at that time a stable.

Passing by the house of Charles Kenny, and shop of Jesse Darlington on High street, which have already been mentioned, there was a log chairmaker's shop, near where the store of Thomas T. Smith is. No other buildings were on that square.

East of Walnut street the first house remembered was the frame house of John Dresser, Jesse Good lived in a stone house beyond. There were two or three more stone house in the block, but whose they were is not recollected; one of them is supposed to have been that of John Hall, the watchmaker.



GAY STREET, EAST FROM CHURCH.

of the house was Mary Pearson. It divided the honor with the Green Tree and Washington, of being the principal tavern in the town.

James Warren, the town wood corder, lived in a log house next, east of "Polly" Pearson's. This house was taken down and the lot built on by Jonathan Valentine. He built a dwelling and store on the same lot. Polly Warren, the wife of James, was not as aristocratic as her rival, Sarah White. She kept her horse and roll ginger cakes in her bureau drawers, with her molasses candy and mint sticks in a glass in the window as an advertisement. But the small boy paid but little heed to aristocracy and he pronounced her wares good.

Next, east of Warren, was the stone residence of Alice Hannum, the widow of John Hannum, the founder of the town. She was a member of Friends'

John Patton owned all the rest of the land in the borough, on the Philadelphia road.

We will now turn to Chestnut street. There was not a single dwelling on this street on either side except one room over the spring house, near the present railroad, on north side of the street. It belonged to the Green Tree. There was a small frame barn west of High street on the south side, about the middle of the square.

Church street, on the west side, had two dwellings on it. The first was the stone house of Joseph Clark, who had converted it from the a barn into a house. In 1819 it was occupied by John Todd, a teacher in the Academy, from New England. Jonathan Gause was a resident in the same house. It stood on the lot now occupied by James Brothers.

James Hutchison came next in a frame building;



GAY STREET, EAST FROM HIGH.

he kept an oyster and ice cream saloon. A circumstance occurred here one evening that caused much amusement at the time. Several young men, each with his girl, invited them to stop and take a glass of ice cream. There was no refusal, but unfortunately each of the young men thought the other would or could pay for it. This was not the case, and an appeal had to be made to one of the girls, who generously footed the bill.

The next edifice, south, was a small stone barn and then the public pond.

On the east side of the street there were no buildings except a small brick stable about 12 feet square and one story and a half high. It stood near where the office of the late William Darlington, Esq., is.

On Market, or South street, was the farm house of William Wollerton; the Mansion House now occupies the same place. It was in three divisions, the western and largest one being of brick; the next stone and the third of frame. The barn was of stone, a little west of the house.

There was a small frame harnessmaker's shop where the alley now is in front of the Court House annex. John Hoopes was the occupant.

There was no other building on the south side of this street.

Crossing over at Walnut street and returning on the north side of Market street, the first house we come to is the frame house of Bob McCorkle. He was a wood Sawyer. It was said of him that a quarter of a cord of wood could be made to last all winter. For instance, a boy coming by him with an ox cart loaded with brick, was asked, "Will you please to carry this stick of wood home for me and leave it at my house. The gentleman gave it to me for axe handles." It was reported that Robert went to Philadelphia where while digging a cellar, the partition of the next house fell and killed him.

Seneca Warner lived in a log house adjoining the one last mentioned. It stood where the store of Howard Hawley now stands, there being a vacancy on the corner west of it.

At the south end of Walnut street on the east side, across Market street, stood the log house of Henry Fleming and north of it a log house, the occupant of which is not remembered.

John Graves, Esq., came next with his house of frame and log.

The log house of Ezra Chase, now in the occupancy of Caleb Taylor as a store, is the only one left in the town. There was no other building on Walnut street north of Gay street and but a small stone barn on the west side of the street, between Gay and Market streets.

The Boot Road, or as it is now called Patton avenue, had not a single building on it except an old lime kiln that was seldom or never used. The Strasburg, or, as it is now called, Hannum avenue, had one log house on it about half way down Chapel Hill. This was one of the resorts of the colored people and where they often got into trouble. The Negroes of that day had no right the white man was bound to respect.

William Newlin, Esq., lived in the old stone farm house on the late Wm. Ebbs estate, which is now in the possession of Timothy S. Brick. At that time there were 80 acres in the farm. There was an entrance by a lane from Strasburg road.

William Bennett lived on the next farm west; it also contained 80 acres and the stone dwelling was approached by a lane from the Strasburg road, the same as that of William Newlin. Their wives were sisters.

This closes the list of all the houses in West Chester at that time, and there are but few of them remaining, namely, calling them by the names of the present owners or occupiers.

# IN A SPORTING WAY.

How West Chester Townsfolk Enjoy Themselves Out of Doors.



GROUNDS OF THE WEST CHESTER GUN CLUB.

**W**EST CHESTER has been noted for many years for the interest taken by her people in sporting matters, especially those of an outdoor character. Her Brandywine Base Ball Club for years enjoyed the distinction of being the finest amateur organization in Eastern Pennsylvania. She has a gun club, tennis club, roque club, ball team, race track, basket ball team and in fact all that goes to add to up-to-date sports. A brief history of the various features follows:

## WEST CHESTER GUN CLUB.

The West Chester Gun Club is to-day one of the leading organizations of this character in Eastern Pennsylvania and it has won many notable victories from prominent clubs in Philadelphia and surrounding towns. It is the champion of Chester county at the present time. This club was organized on February 23, 1891, with but ten members. E. W. Baker was elected President, F. P. Gill Vice-President, F. H. Eachus Secretary and Treasurer, and M. B. Jackson Captain. At the end of a year it had twenty members and on July 2d, 1892, it joined the State Sportsmen's Association. It led a quiet life until June, 1894, when new life was infused into it and it reorganized with D. M. McFarland, President; W. W. Aitkins, Vice-President; F. H. Eachus, Secretary; W. P. Moore, Treasurer, and M. B. Jackson, Captain. On March 7th, 1898, the club applied for a charter under the name

"West Chester Gun Club and Athletic Association" and received the same the following month. At the present time the club has 54 members in good standing. The officers are:

President, D. M. McFarland; Vice-President, J. Howard Loomis; Secretary F. H. Eachus; Treasurer, James Hoar; Directors, F. P. Gill, J. Howard Loomis and N. M. Garrett.

Its present grounds and club house are located south of the borough and the shooting grounds are considered the finest in this portion of Pennsylvania.

## WEST CHESTER GOLF AND COUNTRY CLUB.

The West Chester Golf and Country Club was organized early in the season of 1898 and during that year had its links on a field north of Virginia avenue. This season it leased the Martin Darlington farm, south of the borough, where it now has a handsome club house with all modern improvements and as fine links as can be found in the State. The officers are:

President, Carrol B. Jacobs; Vice-President, Dr. Charles R. Palmer; Treasurer, Percy S. Darlington; Secretary, Miss Margaret Walter; Board of Governors, the officers, and Samuel Marshall, Thomas W. Marshall, Wm. Chalfant, Jr., Francis Jacobs and Miss Josephine Roberts.

## WEST CHESTER TENNIS CLUB.

The Tennis Club is one of the young organizations of the borough. It was organized this season and has forty-five members. The club has splendid

grounds, there being three courts, on South New street, and there are many lady as well as gentlemen members. The officers are:

President, Joseph F. Hill; Vice-President, S. LeRoy Barber; Treasurer, B. G. Strickland; Secretary, Miss Lulu M. Eachus; Ground Committee, Joseph F. Hill, Howard Dowlin, Arthur R. Webb, Paul D. Smith and William S. Cudlipp; Committee on Membership, Dr. A. H. Grubb, R. Hayes Dutton, Louis J. Palmer, W. S. Cudlipp and Miss Linda M. Barber.

**THE ACTIVE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION.**

During the last few years the Active Athletic Association, an organization of young men, has taken a prominent part in the sports of the town. It was organized about 1896 and since that time has had a fine base ball team, a foot ball team

was a Brandywine team for nearly every year until 1896. The teams during the last few years being of a semi-professional character. Many former members of this club graduated to the National League, among them Al. Bushong, Joe Battin, James Dickinson, John McMahon, Michael Grady (now with New York), Joseph Borden and George McClusky.

**WEST CHESTER ROQUE CLUB.**

The West Chester Roque Club has been in existence for several years and has fine grounds on North Walnut street. It plays the latest game and numbers several experts in its ranks. Jesse E. Webb, of the club, is one of the best men at the game in Pennsylvania.



ON THE GOLF LINKS.

which has won the championship of the county and its members compose the only basket ball team the town has at the present time, that of Company I, Sixth Regiment, N. G. P.

**BRANDYWINE BASE BALL CLUB.**

The Brandywine Base Ball Club, which has enjoyed a splendid reputation for many years, was first organized in 1865 by Captain T. W. Taylor, who was at its head for eighteen consecutive years, during which time he played second base and did not miss a single game. The first team consisted of T. W. Taylor, Captain and 2b; Nimrod Strickland, pitcher; Ike Pawling, catcher; T. H. Windle, first base; George A. Mercer, third base; John T. Potts, shortstop; Ed. Bateman, left field; Geo. B. Mellor, centre field and Chas. B. Sheppard, right field. There

**OUR RACE TRACK.**

West Chester has one of the finest race tracks in the State in that owned by Charles Sheller, east of the town, but there has been little interest in the sport this season. An effort is being made to revive it and the track bids fair to be one of the most attractive in the State next year.

**WEST CHESTER 'COON CLUB.**

The West Chester 'Coon Club has been in existence for several years and last season purchased two of the best hunting hounds in the country for the sport. Its suppers are features of the winter season and it has about sixty members.

Thomas L. Lewis is President; S. M. Paxson, Vice-President; Howard Plank, Secretary; Jos. T. Price, Treasurer; T. Lin Lewis, Master of Hounds, and James A. Conner, Steward.

**WEST CHESTER HUNT CLUB.**

The West Chester Hunt Club was organized one year ago and has a membership of about fifty gentlemen of this place and vicinity who are lovers of the chase. It has a fine pack of twenty-five of the best American hounds and is the leading hunt of this section of the State. Its officers are:

President, John H. Twaddell; Vice-President, Jefferson Shaner; Secretary, Carrol B. Jacobs; Treasurer, William J. Corcoran; Master of Hounds, Howard Sharpe.

**WEST CHESTER FOOT BALL CLUB.**—The West Chester Foot Ball team was an organization which will live long in the memory of the sporting people of this place. The town first became known in the game in 1893, when it placed a first-class team, principally of home material, in the field, and won a number of creditable victories. For three years it flourished and was the finest team in this section of the State, defeating all the leaders in the sport, until interest waned and it passed into history.

**WEST CHESTER CRICKET CLUB.**

The West Chester Cricket Club is one of the organizations of the past, but it was a lively one while it flourished and made its mark, defeating many of the leading teams of Philadelphia and vicinity. The club was organized on March 22, 1890, at a meeting held in Library Hall, at which there were eleven members present. W. H. Dillingham was elected President; Charles Pinkerton, Secretary and Treasurer, and J. P. Norris, Jr., was made Captain for the year. The first year was a prosperous one, and the club gained in membership until it numbered seventy-five. Grounds were secured at the corner of Price and New streets, and a handsome little club house was erected. A feature of the existence of the club was its entertainments, given principally at Library Hall, and a lively interest was taken during several seasons, until it finally disbanded in 1894. At that time it had a splendid ground and several tennis courts for the ladies, but interest in cricket had waned to such an extent that it was unable to reorganize.



ASSEMBLY BUILDING—HOME OF BOROUGH COUNCIL, WEST CHESTER CLUB, K. G. E., ETC.

# WEST CHESTER'S FAVORITE SONS.

A Few who Have Won Fame in the Wide Wide World.

**W**HILE the material prosperity of West Chester is largely due to those of her citizens who have been content to labor in a quiet way, the town is naturally proud of the many who have acquired distinction and have had their names written high on the records of fame. There are scientists, literary men and others whom the world has delighted to honor, and of these a brief mention is made herewith:

**THOMAS S. BELL, JR.,** Soldier. Admitted to Chester County Bar, 1859; enlisted with Colonel Guss in the Ninth Regiment, three-months' volunteers; under Colonel Longnecker; became Adjutant

Chester County, October 8th, 1861; re-elected, 1871; resigned, February 17, 1879, to accept appointment as United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania, which position he filled until his resignation in 1898; father of the present Additional Law Judge, William Butler, Jr.

**HENRY W. CARRUTHERS,** Soldier. Learned printing at Village Record office; read law with Joseph Hemphill; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1860; enlisted under Captain Guss in Company A, Ninth Regiment, three months' service; later went with Colonel Guss and served with command until 1864; wounded at Strawberry Plains in August, 1864; died at Fortress Monroe, August 22, 1864.

**WM. DARLINGTON, M. D., LL. D.** Born at Dilworthtown, 1782, of English Quaker ancestry, in 1804, was the first man from Chester county to be graduated from the University of Pennsylvania. Was appointed physician at Chester County Almshouse, 1805; one of first Board of Canal Commissioners of Pennsylvania, 1825; elected to Congress, 1814, 1818, 1820; President of National Bank of Chester County, 1830 until death; received degree of Doctor of Laws from Yale College; married Katherine, daughter of General John Lacey, of New Jersey; wrote *Flora Cestrica, History of West Chester* and many other publications; died, 1863.

**BENJAMIN EVERHART,** widely known as a scientist and authority on lichens. He is the eldest son of the late William Everhart, who was a member of the 33d Congress of the United States; was born in 1816; brother to the late James B., who was a member of the 49th Congress, and Dr. John



EX-JUDGE WILLIAM BUTLER.

of the regiment; entered 51st Regiment as Lieutenant-Colonel under General Hartranft; was offered Colonelcy of the 124th, three months' men, but elected to remain in the three years' service; killed on bridge at Antietam, 1862.

**WILLIAM HEMPHILL BELL,** Soldier. Appointed cadet at West Point, 1853, from West Chester; made Second Lieutenant, 1858; made First Lieutenant, 1861; Captain and Commissary of Subsistence, 1862; Major, 1883; Lieutenant-Colonel and Assistant Commissary General of Subsistence, 1892; Colonel and Assistant Commissary General of Subsistence, 1896; Brigadier General and Commissary General of Subsistence, 1897; retired on age limit, 1898; residing in Nebraska.

**WILLIAM BUTLER,** Jurist. Born in Upper Uwellan; admitted to Chester County Bar, December 11th, 1845; elected President Judge of Courts of



CHARLTON T. LEWIS, Ph. D.

R., who is a surgeon, traveler and author. Benjamin has done much scientific work for the Government and for private collections, and his writings have been quoted in various languages throughout the civilized world.

**WILLIAM D. HARTMAN, M. D.,** Scientist. Born in East Pikeland, 1817; died in West Chester, 1899; graduated, University of Pennsylvania, 1839; over 40 years corresponded with noted scientists in Europe; was quoted by Darwin on the Cicada or seventeen-year locust, in Darwin's "Descent of Man;" author of "Conchologia Cestrina," describing the shells of this section.



CONGRESSMAN THOMAS S. BUTLER

**DR. ISAAC I. HAYES,** deceased son of Benjamin Hayes, the oldest citizen of West Chester. Sailed for the frozen north with Dr. Elisha Kent Kane, May 28, 1853; returned, October, 1855; conducted a similar expedition, 1860-61; reached a point nearer the North Pole than any previous explorer.

**W. W. JEFFERIS,** Mineralogist. Began collecting minerals about 1837; entered National Bank of Chester County as a clerk while in his youth; chosen Cashier of same November 1st, 1857, to succeed Washington Townsend; received six months leave of absence, 1882; resigned June 12th, 1883; built brick cabinet on East Miner street and filled it with rare minerals; corresponded extensively with scientists in all parts of the world; amassed great quantity of specimens; recognized as an authority; now living in New York.

**CHARLTON T. LEWIS,** Author. Son of Joseph J. Lewis, born, March, 1834; graduated from Yale University; became a minister in the Methodist Episcopal Church; retired from the ministry and began the study of law; admitted to practice; translated "John Albert Bengel's Gnomon of the New Testament;" wrote a "History of Germany From the Earliest Times;" revised and rewrote "Harper's Latin Dictionary;" wrote numerous other publications, mostly of an historical nature.

**JOSEPH J. LEWIS,** Barrister. Born in West-town, 1801; died in 1883; was educated under Jonathan Gause, and taught school; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1825; appointed District Attorney, 1835 and 1837; became a leader in his profession; traveled extensively in Europe; was Commissioner of Internal Revenue under President Lincoln.

**WAYNE M'VEAGH,** Statesman and Politician. Born in Phoenixville, 1833; District Attorney of Chester County, 1859-64; Captain of Cavalry, 1862, when the invasion of Pennsylvania was threatened; Chairman Republican State Central Committee, 1863; U. S. Minister to Turkey, 1870-71; member of Pennsylvania Constitutional Convention, 1872-73; Attorney General in President Garfield's Cabinet, 1881; given degree of LL. D. by Amherst College, 1881; U. S. Minister to Italy under President Cleveland, 1893-97.

**GEORGE A. MCCALL,** Soldier. Served in Regular Army, where he attained to the rank of Major; came to West Goshen and purchased a country seat in the suburbs of West Chester; tendered services to the State and was appointed by Governor Curtin a Major General of Volunteers; took command of Pennsylvania Reserve Corps; when Corps was tendered to Government, he was made Brigadier General of Volunteers by President Lincoln, 1861; resigned, 1863; died and was buried at Christ Church, Philadelphia; grave decorated annually by members of General George A. McCall Post, No. 31, G. A. R., of West Chester, which organization was named in his honor.

**HENRY M. MINTHRE,** Soldier. Admitted to Chester County Bar, 1858; raised the Brandywine Guards, summer of 1861; was made Lieutenant-Colonel of the First Regiment Reserve Volunteer Corps; lost leg on the Peninsula under McClellan; elected District Attorney, 1862; died January, 1863, from wounds received in the military service.



DR. JOSEPH T. ROTHROCK.

**REV. DR. WILLIAM E. MOORE,** an early pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, who died in 1899; was first President of Board of Trustees of State Normal School, 1871; a Director in the Public Schools, and afterwards Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church. Previous to his death was Stated Clerk of General Assembly. In later years resided in Columbus, Ohio; buried in Oakland Cemetery.



AUDITOR GENERAL L. G. MCAULEY

**ROBERT EMMETT MONAGHAN**, Attorney and Statesman. Born in West Fallowfield, 1822; died, West Chester, 1895; studied under Jonathan Gause at Unionville, with Bayard Taylor; read law at Harrisburg; served in Legislature; presided at Democratic State Conventions; delegate to Democratic National Convention 1876; member of Commission to determine boundary line between Penna. and Del., 1890.

**JOSEPH T. ROTHROCK**, M. D., Botanist, born in Millin county, 1839; Captain of Company E, 20th Pa. Cavalry during the Rebellion; graduated from Lawrence Scientific School of Harvard University, 1864; from University of Pennsylvania, Medical Department, 1868; has collected plants in

almost every part of the United States; assisted in 1866 in surveying Western Union Telegraph route through Alaska via Behring Strait to mouth of Amoor River, Asia; has served as Professor at State College, and at University of Pennsylvania, and as State Commissioner of Forestry.

**JOHN R. SWENEY**, Musician. Born in West Chester, 1837; died in Chester, 1899; studied under Barilli and Bauer; taught music at Dover, Delaware; led Third Regiment Band of Delaware during War of Rebellion; made Professor of Music at Pennsylvania Military College; led assemblies at Ocean Grove, N. J.; Thousand Islands, N. Y.; Round Lake, N. Y.; Old Orchard, Me., and elsewhere; sang with Ira D. Sankey; composed over 1,000 pieces of music; edited twenty-three books of music, mostly of a sacred nature.

**BAYARD TAYLOR** (1825-1878), Poet, Traveler and Statesman. Born at Kennett Square; studied under Jonathan Gause at Unionville; learned printing at Village Record office, West Chester; at the age of 19 years sailed for Europe with only \$140, which had been given him by friends; wrote "Views Afoot;" started weekly paper at Phoenixville; accepted editorial position on New York Tribune, 1874; wrote "Story of Kennett" and many other works; died in Berlin while United States Minister to Germany.

**DAVID TOWNSEND**, Botanist, 1787-1858. Born at Pughtown; 1810 appointed clerk in office of Register and Recorder of Chester county; 1813 elected Commissioner of Chester county; 1814 one of original Directors of Nat. Bk. of Chester County; 1817 to 1849 Cashier of Nat. Bk. of Chester County; 1821 chosen Trustee of West Chester Academy; 1827 appointed Prothonotary of Chester County; 1826, one of the founders of the Chester County Cabinet of Natural Sciences; 1833 a genus of plants allied to the Asters was named *Townsendia* in his honor; 1835-6 directed the erection of new banking house, in which he was Cashier; corresponded extensively with botanists in Europe and America; died at his home; buried in Oaklands Cemetery.



THE MARKET HOUSE.



## MEN OF MYSTIC RITES.

## The Secret Societies Which Flourish in Our Town.

**A**S COMPARED with other towns of like size West Chester is not considered much of a secret society town, but an investigation shows that there are within its borders twenty-three branches of various Orders, composed of men only, which are in good standing at the present time. There are charters here also of Orders which are not at present active and there are many societies of ladies auxiliary to the various Orders which are mentioned in another place in this publication.

Although there are at least thirty-five branches of various Orders in the borough, the branches which are composed of men only, with their time of meeting and officers, are given below:

**FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS:—WEST CHESTER LODGE, NO. 322**—Meets Monday on or before full moon. Officers: Curtis H. Hannum, Worshipful Master; Gibbons Gray Cornell, Senior Warden; Howell A. Gillingham, Junior Warden; Fred W. Wollerton, Treasurer; Wm. W. Heed, Secretary; Henry C. Baldwin, Abraham Wanger, Dr. James B. Raynor, Trustees; Plummer E. Jefferis, Representative to Grand Lodge; Henry C. Baldwin, Representative to Masonic Home. Past Masters—1858—John P. Jefferis, M. D. (dec'd.); 1859—John J. Pinkerton; 1861—James Given, (dec'd.); 1862—Wm. D. Hartman, M. D. (dec'd.); 1866—Walter Hilbard, Jr., (dec'd.); 1868—Charles Fairlamb, (dec'd.); 1870—Charles P. Hewes; 1872—William M. Hayes; 1873—George F. Smith, (dec'd.); 1874—W. B. Brinton, M. D., (dec'd.); 1875—Wm. H. Morgan, (dec'd.); 1876—Frank Graff, (dec'd.); 1877—William W. Heed; 1876—Norris T. Smith, (dec'd.); 1879—Henry C. Baldwin; 1880—A. Miner Kinnard, (dec'd.); 1881—James H. Naylor, (dec'd.); 1882—Abraham Wanger; 1884—William D. Christman; 1886—Fred W. Wollerton; 1887—David Jones, (dec'd.); 1888—Francis C. Hooton, 1890—Chas. E. Woodward, M. D.; 1892—Wm. Darlington Evans; 1893—Plummer E. Jefferis; 1894—William H. James; 1895—F. Wigton Brown; 1896—John J. Gheen; 1897—Dr. Robert M. Scott; 1898—John H. Miller; 1881—Nathan M. Garrett, of Lodge No. 475.

**HOWELL R. A. CHAPTER**—Meets Monday after full moon. Officers: Charles M. Miller, H. P.; Barelay Lear, K.; Harvey P. Gallagher, S.; Chas. B. Lear, Sec.; Fred W. Wollerton, Treas.

**HARMONY LODGE, No. 21**—Meets first and third Tuesdays of each month. Officers: W. M., John Warren; S. W., Thomas Mitchell; J. W., Lafayette Washington; Treasurer, J. W. Smothers; Secretary, O. J. Cummings; Senior Deacon, William P. Hobbs; Junior Deacon, H. Barrett.

**PILGRIM CHAPTER, No. 11, R. A. M.**—Meets fourth Tuesday in every month. Officers: High Priest, Thomas Mitchell; King, J. W. Smothers; Scribe, O. J. Cummings; Secretary, John W. Elbert; Treasurer, William P. Hobbs.

**KNIGHTS TEMPLAR:—JERUSALEM COMMANDERY, NO. 10**—Meets second Wednesday of every month. Officers: Commander, William H. Becket; Generalissimo, William Durnall; Captain

General, Robert Moore; Recorder, John Elbert; Treasurer, W. A. Durnall.

**INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS**

The present Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of the State of Pennsylvania is Esau Loomis, of West Chester, a member of West Chester Lodge, No. 42. He is the first Chester county man to hold an elective position in the Grand Lodge.

**WEST CHESTER LODGE NO. 42**—Meets every Tuesday evening. Officers: N. G., William Smedley; V. G., Joseph Parker; Assistant Secretary, Harvey Fitzsimmons; Secretary, Alfred Taylor; Treasurer, William S. Walton.



GRAND MASTER ESAU LOOMIS.

**POCAHONTAS LODGE, NO. 316**—Meets every Thursday evening. Officers: N. G., Samuel L. Dicks; V. G., Dr. Daniel G. Snyder; Assistant Secretary, Clarkson L. Faddis; Secretary, Howell A. Gillingham; Treasurer, George E. Malin.

**GENERAL MARION ENCAMPMENT, NO. 91**—Meets second and fourth Friday evenings of each month. Officers: Chief Patriarch, John Griffith; High Priest, John R. Glenn; Senior Warden, Joseph J. Hilton; Junior Warden, Harry H. Dutton; Treasurer, William S. Walton; Scribe, William H. Gray.

**IMPROVED ORDER HEPHTASOPHIS:—WEST CHESTER CONCLAVE, NO. 61**—Organized April 16, 1883, meets first and third Tuesdays of every month. Officers: Past Archon, Robt. C. Hemphill; Archon, Walter A. Clark; Provost, H. Frank Freeman; Prelate, J. R. Reaudoin; Secretary, Thos. Louis Ogier; Financier, Francis H. Taggart; Treasurer, Jos. T. Harkness; Inspector, George Veit, Sr.; Warden, James S. Carey; Sentinel, Joseph F. Hill; Trustees, Dr. J. B. Raynor, W. H. Hughes, Geo. Veit, Sr.; Medical Examiner, Dr. Albert F. Osborne.

**ROYAL ARCANUM:—WEST CHESTER COUNCIL, No. 1003**—Meets second and fourth Thursday evenings. Officers: Regent, Henry C. Baldwin; Vice-Regent, Oliver B. Channel; Past Regent, Plummer E. Jefferis; Secretary, F. H. Taggart; Treasurer, Lewis B. King; Orator, Mahlon Lear; Chaplain, Levi G. McCauley.

**IMPROVED ORDER OF RED MEN:—UPPOWOC TRIBE, NO. 47**—Meets every Wednesday evening. Officers: Prophet, John W. Ramsey; Sachem, E. Clark Griffith; Senior Sagamore, Joseph Oat; Junior Sagamore, William Marsh; Chief of Records, Harry W. Parra; Keeper of Wampum, Henry C. Baldwin.

**KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE:—WEST CHESTER CASTLE, NO. 226**—Meets Tuesday evening. Officers: Past Chief, Walter D. Broomall; Noble Chief, Clarence Rambo; Vice-Chief, L. Walter Garrett; High Priest, Joseph Reagan; Venerable Hermit, J. Elwood Snyder; Master of Records, James H. Ennis; Clerk of Exchequer, Frank Kinnard; Keeper of Exchequer, Howard Hawley; Sir Herald, A. Wayne Elliott; Trustees, Geo. E. Kane, Jackson L. Ealy, A. D. Broomall.

**ANCIENT ORDER OF HIBERNIANS:—WEST CHESTER DIVISION, NO. 4**—Meets first Tuesday of each month. Officers: President, Patrick Fitzpatrick; Vice-President, John Claucey; Treasurer, James Dailey; Recording Secretary, Patrick Dunleavy; Financial Secretary, Jerry Fitzgerald.

**GRAND ARMY OF THE REPUBLIC—GENERAL GEORGE A. MCALL POST, NO. 31**—Meets every Friday evening. Officers: Commander, Christopher Beckman; Senior Vice-Commander, H. C. Reagan; Junior Vice-Commander, T. H. Whisler; Adjutant, Joseph Dieks; Quartermaster, F. H. Taggart; Surgeon, T. B. Aitkin; Chaplain, Rev. Joseph S. Evans; Officer of the Day, Hannum W. Gray; Officer of the Guard, Samuel Osborne.

**GEORGE F. SMITH POST, NO. 130**—Meets every Tuesday evening. Officers: Commander, Samuel Brice; Senior Vice-Commander, Levi Hood; Junior Vice-Commander, Enoch Gibbs; Quartermaster, Ephraim Govens.

**UNION VETERAN LEGION:—ENCAMPMENT, NO. 25**—Meets first Thursday of every month. Officers: Colonel, William S. Underwood; Lieutenant Colonel, Wilson Matlack; Major, Emmor B. Hickman; Adjutant, James E. McFarlan; Quartermaster, Frank H. Taggart.

**ORDER UNITED AMERICAN MECHANICS:—KENHAWA COUNCIL, NO. 248**—Meets Thursday evenings. Officers: Councilor, M. Frank McLean; Vice-Councilor, Milton A. Watson; Recording Secretary, William F. M. Reese; Assistant Secretary, John Alexander; Financial Secretary, J. Allen Reagan; Treasurer, John E. Entriken; Examiner, Charles W. Parker; Conductor, Jesse Dilworth; In-

side Protector, William J. Rodeback; Outside Protector, George Naylor; Trustees, W. F. M. Reese, William H. Tompkins, George M. Gale.

**PATRIOTIC ORDER SONS OF AMERICA:—WASHINGTON CAMP, NO. 673**—Meets every Wednesday evening. Officers: President, Geo. S. Sylvester; Vice-President, Geo. A. Flagg; Master of Forms, Geo. W. Darlington; Recording Secretary, George B. McCormick; Financial Secretary, Wm. F. M. Reese; Treasurer, Jos. B. Darlington; Conductor, Leonard Osborn; Inspector, Geo. L. Osborn; Guard, Frank P. Turner; Trustees, Evan Houek, Fred T. Varnum, Geo. W. Darlington.

**KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS:—STELLA LODGE, NO. 131**—Meets every Monday evening. Officers: Past Chancellor, Walter E. Hall; Chancellor Commander, Thos. T. Smith; Master of Work, Frederick Court; Vice-Chancellor, Alfred D. Heald; Prelate, Rev. Sydney N. Ussher; Keeper of Records and Seal, Thos. Louis Ogier; Master of Finance, J. Franklin Brown; Master of Exchequer, Francis H. Taggart; Master at Arms, Frank G. Sylvester; Inner Guard, John R. Glenn; Outer Guard, Andrew Furlong; Trustees, George Veit, Sr., John R. Glenn and F. Harry Eachus. Representative to the Grand Lodge and Deputy Grand Chancellor, Thos. Louis Ogier.

**G. U. O. OF O. F.:—PEACE AND PLENTY LODGE, NO. 2581**—Meets second and fourth Monday of every month. Officers: Noble Grand, Theodore Harmon; Vice-Grand, James Johnson; Elective Secretary, Willis Denny. Permanent Secretary, John A. Francis; Treasurer, Charles Lednum; Noble Father, Rev. Leonard Patterson; Trustees, John Francis, Edward Johnson and L. W. Denny.

**FRATERNAL MYSTIC CIRCLE:—BRANDYWINE RULING, NO. 700**—Meets second Tuesday of every month. Officers: Worthy Ruler, Joseph F. Hill; Past Worthy Ruler, L. B. King; Worthy Recorder, Paul D. Smith; Worthy Treasurer, T. Walter Scattergood; Worthy Collector, L. B. King; Medical Examiner, Dr. P. C. Hopkins.

**JUNIOR ORDER UNITED AMERICAN MECHANICS:—WEST CHESTER COUNCIL, NO. 633**—Meets Friday evenings. Officers: Councilor, George M. Gale; Vice-Councilor, Howard Cunningham; Junior Past Councilor, Joseph P. Eyre; Secretary, Ariel C. Cotton; Treasurer, Wilmer M. Cox.

**BRANDYWINE COUNCIL, NO. 758**—Meets Monday evenings. Officers: Councilor, Daniel W. Johnson; Vice-Councilor, Charles Morton; Junior Past Councilor, Geo. R. Scott; Secretary, A. T. McCowan; Treasurer, William E. Smith.



# A CENTURY OF WORSHIP.

## How the Churches of the Town Were Organized and Have Grown.

**A**HUNDRED years is a long time to look back over and when its history is written in the comparative style which shows growth and progress along any line the results are sometimes wonderful; but no such surprising results are obtainable in other lines of history as are found in the records of church and church work. One hundred years ago the population was sparse and churches were far apart. Nearly all the farm land in Chester county had been taken up and was occupied by the owners. Very often one or more tenement houses on the farm were occupied by the help employed on the farm. The rural population was thus almost as great as at present, but the boroughs and towns which now dot the county over had scarcely begun to exist. West Chester is the oldest borough in the county by many years. The churches that existed one hundred years ago were in locations chosen with a view to accommodating the rural population. The only congregation organized and having a house of worship within the borough limits was the Roman Catholic Christ's Church (now St. Agnes'). Located here was the only congregation of that faith in the county. If a Baptist living in West Chester desired to attend services conducted by a minister of his own denomination he had his choice of traveling fifteen miles north to Vineout Church, in Upper Uwchlan, ten miles east to Great Valley Church, in Tredyffrin, or eight miles south to Brandywine Church, in Birmingham township, Delaware county.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, although a comparatively young denomination, had already an organized church at the Grove, only four miles from West Chester. There was a class organized at Laurel in West Bradford township, and occasional preaching at many points in the county. Their circuit riders were going everywhere preaching the Gospel.

The Protestant Episcopal denomination had long been established in Chester county. St. David's Church, erected on the boundary between Delaware county and Easttown township, in 1700 or 1704, had a thriving congregation. St. John's, in West Caln, was built in 1729. St. Peter's, East Whiteland, in 1744, and St. John's, in New London, had stood for many years, but it was many years after West Chester was incorporated before that denomination moved in the matter of an organization in West Chester.

The Presbyterians were strong in Chester county and had organizations and church buildings at Great Valley, Upper Octoraro, Egg's Manor, New London, Doe Run, Brandywine Manor, Oxford and Charlestown. But the nearest to West Chester was Great Valley, in Tredyffrin township, organized in 1814. It was fourteen miles to church for a Presbyterian.

This was a community largely settled by Friends, but in those early days Birmingham Monthly Meeting, which convened in Birmingham Meeting House on the Battlefield of Brandywine and Goshen Monthly Meeting, which convened near Goshenville in East Goshen township, and Bradford Preparative

Meeting at Marshallton were the nearest organizations. There were meetings for worship held in many places and the society had been well organized everywhere that Friends had settled since the days of William Penn. West Chester Friends were connected with one or the other of the meetings mentioned and although they had no preparatory meeting here they did not have so far to travel to reach a place of worship as people of other denominations.

During the hundred years of West Chester's history there has been one successful effort to organize a church in an average of seven years and now there are fifteen organizations, representing about seven different denominations with their branches.

We give briefly the history of each of these church organizations by denominations. In each instance where an organization and its branches as the Friends or Presbyterians maintain at the present time more than one organization, we take the history of each congregation and combine the statistics for total growth which is as nearly a correct setting out of comparative figures as can be made.

There were no Sabbath Schools in West Chester 100 years ago, and probably none in the county.

### ST. AGNES' ROMAN CATHOLIC.

There were very few Roman Catholics in Chester county one hundred years ago. The number in 1757 was estimated at 120, but Chester county then included all of what is now Delaware county. When West Chester was incorporated, in 1790, "Christ's Church" had been already erected. It occupied the site on the north side of West Gay street, where St. Agnes' Church now stands. It was erected in 1793, four years after West Chester was made the county town and six years before it became a borough. It was the first place of worship in West Chester. The parish at that time included Downingtown, Coatesville, Ship, Berwyn and Parkersburg, at all five of which points flourishing Catholic Churches exist to-day. Its Western limits included Drumore, Lancaster county. There was a little organization at Doe Run, but it was without a church building. There were probably less than 50 Roman Catholics resident 100 years ago within the territory embraced in what is now St. Agnes' Parish. Nearly all of them lived outside of the borough, but as the parish was so much larger, the congregation considerably exceeded that number. Christ's Church was a small one story brick structure with a door facing toward the west. It had three windows on each side and accommodated about 150 people. Rev. Father Fleming and Rev. Francis V. Keating ministered here in the early days of the organization. It was under the jurisdiction of Bishop John Carroll, of Baltimore, who was the only Bishop in the United States at that time and to his care was confided the interests of the infant church of the entire country. Bishop Carroll was the brother of the illustrious John Carroll, of Carrollton, who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence.

Prior to 1840 the work in West Chester was conducted as a Mission and visited by priests from



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Philadelphia and elsewhere. In that year Rev. P. Donahoe was sent here as the first pastor. In 1841 the brick house adjoining the church on the west was purchased for \$750 and fitted up as a parochial residence. Owing to the fact that the majority of the parishioners worked in the marble-quarries at Whitford, there was a disposition to move the church to a new site, and Rev. P. Sheridan in 1842 secured a piece of land on the southwest corner of Walnut and Lafayette streets, for \$412. It was subsequently sold for \$1600 during the administration of Father John F. Prendergast and the money was used in the construction of St. Agnes' Church. That structure cost about \$6000. During the administration of Rev. Hugh Garvey, in 1879, an addition of about 40 feet was built to the church, and a new roof put on the entire building, the steeple strengthened and various other improvements added at a total cost of nearly \$6600.

In 1853 Father John F. Prendergast purchased

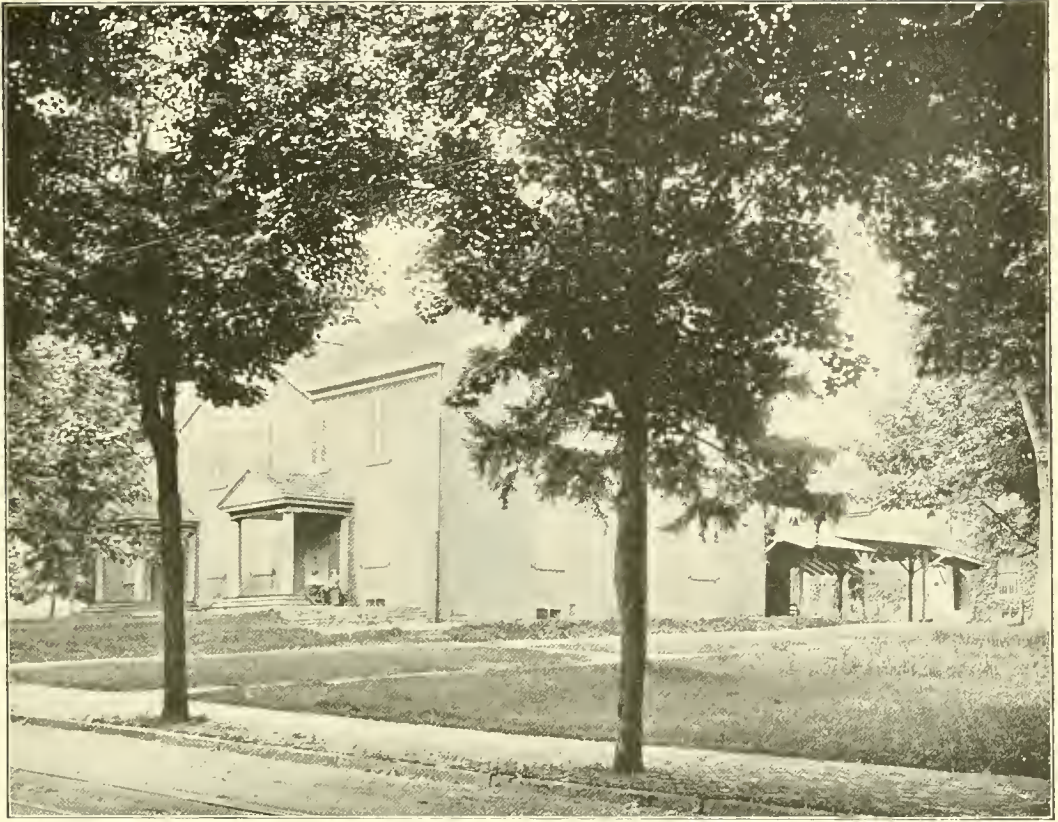
the premises adjoining the pastoral residence on the west. The two buildings were subsequently converted into one. The building was torn down and present parochial residence was erected in 1882, at a cost of probably \$3000. The parochial school was built in 1872, and there are about 225 children being educated. The old mansion house of the late Hon. Joseph J. Lewis, which is the adjoining building east of the church, was purchased from the heirs of Mr. Lewis, in 1892, for \$4000, and has since been used as a girls' school. The above estimate of 225 pupils includes both sexes.

On April 23d, 1872, "The Wyers Academy property," the the north-eastern limits of West Chester, was purchased for \$22,000 in the name of Archbishop Wood for the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, and became the Mother House of the Order in the diocese of Philadelphia. Its title is "Villa Maria." There were about ten acres of land included in that purchase and subsequently nearly four acres more were purchased from Charles L. Warner. Numerous alterations and additions have been made to the building and large sums of money expended. Among them may be mentioned the erection of a chapel and hall of grey stone in 1895 at a cost of about \$50,000, the erection of a north wing to the building in 1897 at a cost of probably \$15,000 and the erection of a south wing this present year (1899) at a cost of probably \$25,000. About four years ago a school for little boys under 12 years of age was opened in a building erected for the purpose on the grounds. Here little boys who cannot be separated from their sisters are given primary training. Only about 25 can be accommodated and

many have been refused admission for want of room. The pupils of both sexes at Villa Maria number about 115. With the completion of the new wing the number of girls may be largely increased.

On March 21st, 1854, a deed was secured for two and a half acres of land at Oaklands to be used as a cemetery. A previous deed for three acres had never been recorded and was lost. Since that date five and a half more acres adjoining the other lot were purchased, making a total of eight acres included in the beautiful cemetery. The cemetery of the Oaklands Company adjoins it and that of the Chestnut Street Friends is across the road. Oaklands is about a mile and a half north of West Chester.

Rev. S. B. Spalding, the present pastor of St. Agnes Church, celebrated Mass here for the first time on Sunday, September 27th, 1885. His ministrations have been very acceptable and he commands the respect and esteem of his people and of the entire community. Many of his parishioners re-



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side out of town and some of them at a distance of several miles. Their total number at this time is not far from 1800, against 50 which is the estimated number 100 years ago. The present church building, the parochial residence and the school buildings form a group of structures that may be valued at not less than \$30,000. It is probable that not less than \$200,000 have been invested first and last in the "Villa Maria" property. Altogether it is plain that the growth of Roman Catholicism in West Chester has kept pace with that of the borough, and the denomination is relatively much stronger to-day in proportion to population than it was one hundred years ago. Its members are found in every walk in life and by their industry and enterprise are doing much to promote the welfare of the town.

#### HIGH STREET FRIENDS.

As stated in the introductory paragraphs of this article the Friends had been well organized from the days of William Penn, but they had no place of worship in West Chester at the time that West Chester was incorporated. Birmingham Preparative Meeting was organized away back in 1690 and Goshen Monthly Meeting originated in 1701. Bradford Monthly Meeting, at Marshallton, had its beginning in 1719, but it was not for several years after West Chester was incorporated that Friends

Birmingham Preparative Meeting informed the Concord Monthly Meeting "that a number of Friends in, and near, the borough of West Chester, members of Goshen, Bradford and Birmingham particular meetings, have a prospect of building a meeting house in, or near, that place; which they have agreed to lay before their respective Monthly Meetings, for their approbation and concurrence." A committee was appointed and requested to report their sense thereof to the next meeting. A month later the committee was not prepared to report and at the end of two months they reported adversely.

On Eleventh-month 7th, 1810, Birmingham Preparative Meeting reported to Concord Monthly Meeting that "a number of Friends, inhabitants of West Chester and its vicinity, requests leave to hold a meeting by indulgence in the stone school house in East Bradford, near that place." A committee was appointed to confer with those interested. The committee subsequently reported favorably and suggested that it be opened on First-day, the 16th of 12th-month, next ensuing. It was accordingly opened on that date.

A lot on North High street, West Chester, was purchased in 1811 and the building commenced the next year. It was not finished until the fall of 1813, although it was occupied by the indulged meeting for the first time on June 20th, 1813. David Haines was the carpenter. His bill was \$425. The masons

were John Parker and B. Pierce and their bill was \$134.80. The cost of the house was over \$2600.

Prior to the erection of that house visiting Ministers of the Society of Friends occasionally held meetings in the Court House.

In 1814 West Chester was made a preparative meeting.

In 1815 a new monthly meeting was established, composed of Birmingham and West Chester preparative meetings, which was named Birmingham Monthly Meeting and it was provided that the monthly meetings should be held alternately at Birmingham and West Chester. The opening meeting was held at West Chester on the Thursday following the First Sunday in December of that year. The committee appointed by Concord Monthly Meeting to attend the opening of the new monthly meeting, consisted of Abraham Pennell, Edward Garrigues, Samuel Canby, Jacob Hibbard, Thomas Smedley and Joseph Malin.

At the time of the organization the membership was composed of members from Bradford, Goshen and Concord Quarterly meeting. A list of the members of West Chester Preparative Meeting in 1815 contains the names of 32 persons from Bradford Monthly; 80 from Goshen Monthly, and 74 from Concord Monthly Meeting. These make a total of 186 members at that time.

Isaac Sharples was the first Clerk and Joshua Sharples, Philip Price, Nathan Cope, Cheyney Jeffers and Benjamin Cope were the first male Elders. George Darlington, Emmon Cook, Isaac Sharples, Benjamin Cope, Jesse Hoopes and Nathan H. Sharples were the first Overseers.

The women Friends named as Elders were Ann Sharples, Lydia Darlington, Amy Hoopes and Martha Jeffers. At that time a day school was conducted in the old stone school house, under the care of the Meeting, but did not belong to it.

This school was a few years later discontinued, the West Chester Academy, in a measure, taking its place, but subsequently a school house was built upon the property of Friends and a day school has since been maintained.

It was in 1834 that a movement was started for the erection of a school house on the meeting grounds on North High street. The meeting had maintained one or more day schools for the education of the young during almost all its history. The building now proposed was completed in 1836 and cost \$1210.80. The building erected is the middle part of the building as it now stands.

An addition was made to the north end of the day school building in the year 1866 at a cost of about \$1943.31.

In 1827 there was a division in the Society of Friends. Those going out of West Chester Preparative Meeting with others, organized the Chestnut Street Meeting. Both bodies claimed to be entitled to the name and the traditions of Friends. Gradually the division became firmly established. Those who followed the teaching of Elias Hicks and other Ministers of similar faith came to be styled Hicksites and the other body was very generally known as Orthodox Friends.

The number who withdrew is not definitely stated in any record we have seen, but a list of those remaining in the High Street Meeting contains 140 names. There has been a slow but gradual growth in membership since that time. The members now number about 350.

A First-day School was opened May 3d, 1863, and has been kept up continuously since that time with a short interruption in mid-summer. At the present time there is an enrollment of about 225 scholars and they have a library of 800 volumes. Herbert P. Worth is the Superintendent.

In 1868 extensive improvements were made to the meeting house. The old building faced the south. About one half of the building, the west end, was torn away and an addition erected which made it face to the west. This addition and the necessary alterations cost \$11,225.23.

About the year 1888 a movement was started to enlarge the school building which already stood a short distance east of the meeting house. The money was raised by subscription and a fine stone addition was erected and the old building improved and refurnished at a total cost of \$7176.83. A first-class graded school has been maintained ever since.

About 1888 two women belonging to the preparative meeting thought they saw the necessity for a comfortable boarding home for such members of the Women's Meeting as needed accommodation. After considering the matter a year or two the subject was introduced into Concord Quarterly Meeting. A committee was appointed and funds were raised. Although the Meeting did not assume any responsibility, an experimental home was opened at No. 445 North High street on April 6th, 1891, with Hannah Sharples in charge. At first there was only one boarder. West Chester Preparative Meeting set apart a plot of ground for their use and on October, 1892, a handsome brick building was completed at a cost of \$9,800. In 1897 an annex, connected by a covered way, was finished at a cost of \$6150. The combined buildings are now open to boarders of both sexes and 17 persons have availed themselves of the privileges of this home, which is still in charge of Hannah Sharples with other able assistants.

The property belonging to the Society embraces a little over four acres and consists of all the land embraced between Biddle and Marshall and High and Walnut streets. The first purchase was one acre and then a half acre. That was for buildings and grave yard at the corner of High and Marshall streets in 1811.

In 1840 William P. and Philip P. Sharples bought the remainder of the ground at public sale for \$784.16 and sold it to the meeting for the price they paid for it. The grave yard ceased to be used long since and the Society owns a fine tract of land just south of Rosedale avenue, purchased in 1874. To that ground many bodies were removed from the Meeting House property; others were removed to Oaklands.

#### CHESTNUT STREET FRIENDS.

As we have stated the division in the Friends' Society took place in 1827. It had been foreshadowed for several years prior, but in November, 1827, it actually took place. Those calling themselves Orthodox Friends were not quite so numerous as the Hicksites, but the records of their meeting do not appear to give the exact figures. Those of Birmingham and West Chester united in forming a monthly meeting which met alternately at the two places. For a time meetings of the two bodies in West Chester continued to be held in the same building on North High street, at different hours in the day or on different days as suited them. Then

the Orthodox friends began holding meetings at the residence of George G. Ashbridge, on North Church street, the house now occupied by Captain Gibbons Gray Cornwell. The meetings were held in the two front rooms of that house. This new move was made about a year after the division. Two years later, or in 1830, the Meeting took a lease upon a lot at the northwest corner of Chestnut and Church streets. This lease was for twenty years if not sooner terminated. On this lot a two story brick building was erected in such manner that it could

branch of the Friends, like the other, has maintained a day school with little interruption. A lecture room and library in the second story of the building has been found very useful. The library contains about 3500 volumes. For several years past a First-day School has been maintained, about 12 adults and 16 children attending. Between thirty and forty children are enrolled in the day school. The total number of members of the Meeting enrolled at the present time is 135. The Society has shown very little numerical growth in West Chester.



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be altered and built to at the rear and fitted up as two dwelling houses when no longer used as a meeting house. The agreement with George G. Ashbridge provides that if the lease was terminated before the expiration of the twenty years the building should be appraised by men to be appointed and taken by him at the appraisement. The building cost \$1530, and when the present place of worship was built, the old one was appraised at \$700 and taken by Mr. Ashbridge. It was turned into two dwelling houses which still stand there. The present meeting house was erected in 1844. It stands on an ample lot on the northeast corner of Church and Chestnut streets and was erected together with sheds, fence and other improvements at a cost of \$4,449.94. That lot was bought from Mr. Ashbridge also. The lot on which the school house stands on the west side of Church street, a little distance north of Chestnut street, was presented to the Society by Jane Brinton, about 1850. The school house which was erected at that time cost probably about \$2000 and in 1889 it was replaced by the present building at a cost of about \$4000. This

Financially it is very well established and among its members are many of West Chester's most influential citizens.

#### METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

The Methodist Episcopal Church, of West Chester, is 89 years old. In 1810 the first Methodist Society was planted in our borough. A little band organized and held meetings in the Court House. The old Court House building was the cradle of more than one church. Rev. William Hunter, one of the early pioneers of Methodism, preached here in those days. It was not until 1815, according to the best records accessible, that the first regular class meeting was formed. It consisted of about half a dozen persons. The movement prospered, for the next year, 1816, a Methodist meeting house, large and substantially built of stone, was erected on the north side of Gay street, about 100 feet east from Darlington street, which at that time did not extend north of Gay street. From that time until 1840, a period of twenty-four years, that was their place

of worship. The building was then sold and the present structure on the northeast corner of Market and Darlington streets was erected at a cost for the lot and building, complete, of about \$9000. Of the early Methodists who formed the nucleus of the church, only a few names have been preserved. Thomas Ogden and wife, Mary Wallin and Cheney Nields are known to have been among the number. Preaching at first was held every alternate Sabbath. Ministers from Chester circuit did most of the preaching prior to 1818, when Rev. William Hodg-

son, when the new church was erected, in 1840, the system of rented pews was adopted as a means of revenue, but in 1851 it was abolished and ever since pews have been free in that church and strangers welcome to sit anywhere.

During the pastorate of Rev. William H. Shaffer, 1886 to 1889, the new chapel was erected and the interior of the church remodeled at a total cost of about \$11,000. Last year the main building was further improved, the gallery being shortened and altered. A large and very superior pipe organ was placed at the front of the church to the left of the pulpit, at a total cost of about \$2000.

A number of distinguished men and women have gone forth from this church to bless the world by their labors. Among them may be named Rev. W. H. Elliott, Jefferson Lewis, Rev. Francis Hodgson, D. D., Rev. Thomas L. Poulston, D. D., a distinguished member of the New York Conference. The noted John Inskip, Hon. Charlton T. Lewis and Mrs. Wentworth, who gave her life to the cause of Missions in China.

The Sabbath School was organized in 1817 with Mrs. Hodgson, wife of Rev. William Hodgson, as its first Superintendent. It, too, has prospered, and at present is in a flourishing condition. Its Superintendent is James L. King; Assistant Superintendent, M. A. Bohm; Secretary, Pierce H. McDermond; Treasurer, Frank H. Taggart; Librarian, W. H. Gray; Superintendent of Primary Department, Mrs. H. I. Hood; Assistant Superintendent of Primary Department, Mrs. R. O. Jefferis. The whole number of officers is 19, scholars, 333, and teachers, 25, making a total enrollment of 377. It is worthy of note that Mr. Frank Taggart, the Treasurer, has filled that office uninterruptedly for a period of 41 years, or just half the period of the school's existence.

The additions to the membership of the church during the pastorate of Rev. D. M. Gordon, now about two and one-half years, have been very large, and the total number of communicant members at this time is about 560. It is difficult to put any correct estimate on the value of church property. The sums mentioned above as expended show that the buildings are thoroughly equipped and are well adapted for the use and the accommodation of the congregation. Besides this the congregation purchased the building, No. 336 West Miner street, about 1851 and fitted it up as a parsonage. They have since made considerable improvement to the real estate and it is there that Rev. D. Mast Gordon, the present pastor, resides.

#### BETHEL A. M. E.

Bethel A. M. E. Church, on East Miner street, has a history which runs back for sixty years and more.

During the summer of 1835 a corner stone was laid on foundations previously erected on a lot on West Market street in a pouring rain. Many people were soaked to the skin, but that did not interrupt the proceedings. Rev. Joseph Carr, of Philadelphia was in charge of the services. The Trustees of the church at that time were James Derry, Edward Atkins, Kinsey Jones, Henry Matthews, Isaac Laws, John Holiday and Caleb Craig. At



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son, a zealous local preacher arrived from England. On his settling in West Chester he began at once to hold regular preaching services every Sunday and organized the Wednesday evening prayer meeting, which has been maintained ever since. In 1823 the Conference appointed Rev. William Hunter to supply the circuit for one year.

In 1827 the Marshallton Society was attached to West Chester, but was subsequently detached again. In that same year West Chester was made a separate station and Presiding Elder Joseph Lybrand sent Rev. Whitfield Hughes as pastor. The ensuing spring, 1828, his return to Conference showed a total of 95 members.

A long array of distinguished divines have been pastors here. Among them we might mention Rev. Levi Scott, pastor in 1831; was afterwards an eminent Bishop. Rev. Dallas D. Lore, a brother of Judge Lore, of Delaware, was afterwards a Missionary in South Africa; was pastor in 1838. In 1838 and 1840, when the present church was erected, Rev. William Urie was pastor.

The pastorate of Rev. James L. Houston, which covered the years 1849 and 1850, was the most memorable in the history of the church. A wonderful revival swept through the congregation and community. About 200 persons were added to the roll of the Methodist Church. In 1851 and 1852 the eloquent and gifted Rev. Alfred Cookman was pastor. This saintly and gifted man left the church and community in a spiritual glow. It was he who exclaimed when dying in Newark, N. J.: "I am sweeping through the gates," which was made the chorus of a well known hymn, subsequently written by Philip Phillips.



that time the congregation was worshipping in a small house at the west end of Gay street, now occupied by Jane Wattle. The class leader was John M. Brown, who was assisted by an old man known



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as Father Cooper. Two local preachers then in the work were Thomas and William Henry. The building begun on West Market street was never finished. A building was erected on West Miner street, near Everhart's Grove, which still stands, and after some alterations was subsequently turned into a dwelling house. The church was known as "Old Zion." The corner stone, which had previously been laid on the foundations on West Market street, was carried over and placed in the Miner street building, without ceremony.

The building was dedicated in 1838, when Rev. James Scott was pastor, and there the colored people of the town worshipped until about the beginning of the war of the Rebellion, when they moved to the school house at the corner of Barnard and Adams streets.

They were frequently interrupted in their worship by boys and young men, who behaved in an unruly manner and were not restrained by the borough authorities. When George L. Berry and William Freeman were moving the benches from the old building to the school house, they were set upon by soldiers from Camp Wayne and compelled to quickly unload them and beat a hasty retreat.

By advice of Elder (afterwards Bishop) Campbell, the lot and house on West Miner street was sold and a lot 30 feet front on East Miner street was purchased from a Mr. Taylor, for \$150. They af-

terwards purchased an adjoining lot from the colored Masons and the two lots were sufficient for their purposes and on it a brick church building was erected. It has been several times improved.

The Sabbath School was organized in 1853 in the Old Zion building and Mrs. Louisa Gladman, who is still living, was its first Superintendent. The school now has fifteen officers, twenty-one teachers and 200 scholars, making a total of 236 enrolled. There are 290 volumes in the library. James H. Patterson is the Superintendent.

Jane Smith, Annie Holliday, Mrs. Gladman and George L. Berry are the four oldest living members of the church.

At present Rev. George T. Watkins is pastor, and the church boards are made up as follows:

Trustees—Jeremiah Cummings, William Johnson, William Ennis, James Patterson, Thomas Patton, Abraham Smith, Nelson Tyler, James Bell, John W. Brown.

Stewards—George L. Berry, Edinboro Coggins, Benjamin Empson, Eli Boyer, James Bell, Enoch P. Gibbs, John Richardson, Nelson Tyler, Alfred Bye.

The membership in the church numbers 200, and the property is valued at \$8,000.

#### UNION A. M. E.

St. Luke's Union A. M. E. Church, on South Franklin street, was erected in 1881. It is a neat brick building well furnished, the estimated value being \$6,000. The name of Luke Smith is associated with the movement as one of the early leaders. At present Rev. S. P. Shepard is pastor, and the mem-



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bership is 200. Following are the church officers: Stewards—John Clark, Benjamin Anderson, John Elbert, Jacob Brown, Benjamin Anderson, John H. Jackson, William A. Durnall.

Trustees—David Charles, Zachariah Kane, Thos. Lewis, Gibbon Bye, George Whipper, John Butcher, John Kelly.

#### FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

It was many years after West Chester was incorporated before Presbyterians within her bounds had a church building of their own. The few scattered families of that faith in this community were mostly connected with the Great

Valley Presbyterian Church. Occasionally there was a prayer meeting held here and sometimes a minister of that denomination preached here. At length there was talk of organization. The mass of the members of Great Valley Church opposed it, because such an organization meant a loss of a few members to them and the organization of another church within the limits of the very large territory from which their revenues were gathered. At last, shortly after 1830, the movement began to take shape. William Everhart, the father of Benjamin and Dr. Everhart, presented to those concerned a suitable lot, the one on which the church stands at the southeast corner of Miner and Darlington streets, and between 1832 and 1834 a church building was erected. The church was organized by Newcastle Presbytery, on January 10th, 1834. It was incorporated by the Supreme Court of the State on January 15th, and on January 18th organization under the charter was accomplished by the election of a Board of Trustees. Meetings had been held in the Court House prior to that time and it was there that Presbytery met to organize the church. Nineteen members were received on certificate and thirty-two



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on examination and profession of their faith, making a total of fifty-one charter members. Of these fifty-one members only one, Ellen E. Thomas, then Miss Ellen E. Miner, is living to-day. She is, we believe, a resident of Wilkesbarre, Pa. The first pastor was Rev. William A. Stevens, who had been mainly instrumental in organizing the church and whose preaching had brought many to repentance and a new life. He died October 23, 1834, in his 28th year, less than one year after the church was organized.

In 1838, shortly after the great division came in the Presbyterian Church of the United States, and the congregations of Newcastle Presbytery for the most part adhered to what was known as the Old School branch, the congregation in West Chester sympathized with the New School movement, hence we find that on application, it was that year received into the Presbytery of Philadelphia. This church continued to be connected with Philadelphia Presbytery until the reunion of the two divisions of the denomination, in 1870, when a redistricting of Presbyteries was made. New Castle Presbytery

was confined to New Castle county, Delaware, and Cecil county, Maryland, and the new Presbytery of Chester was formed which embraced Chester and Delaware counties and included this congregation.

Rev. James J. Groff was the second pastor of the church, but was succeeded in 1840 by Rev. John Crowell, who is still living and has been for many years the honored Secretary of the American Sunday School Union. Rev. William E. Moore, D. D., recently deceased, was, from 1850 to 1872, a period of 22 years, pastor of this church and subsequently became, while pastor of a church in Columbus, Ohio, widely known as a writer on the Constitution, Law and Discipline of the Presbyterian Church, and was honored with an election as Moderator of the General Assembly in 1890, and was subsequently its Stated Clerk for several years. He declined a reelection to that office last May and died a few weeks later.

Rev. B. T. Jones, D. D., who was his successor as pastor of the church, resigned that position after ten years of service, to accept a position as Professor of Biblical Theology in Lincoln University, where he died a few years ago, deeply lamented by a wide circle of friends.

Rev. J. C. Caldwell, D. D., now deceased, was his successor, and he in turn was succeeded by the present pastor, Rev. W. R. Laird.

The membership of the church, which was but fifty-one at first, has steadily increased and the officers and members have reached out in their work on every side. Two other Presbyterian Churches have been organized in West Chester, each of which took some names from the roll. A few colored people, who had been enrolled as members were granted certificates to unite in the organization of Westminster Church, in 1892.

Dilworthtown, four miles south of West Chester, is a point at which a Sabbath School was long maintained and A. P. Reid, Esq., of West Chester, a member at that time of this church, was the Superintendent. In 1878 a church was organized there and several of the members brought certificates from here. Goshenville and Harmonyville Sabbath Schools were organized and chapels erected there. Harmony Hill is still under the care of this church, while Goshenville has cast its lot with Westminster Church. After all these changes, all really marking growth, the membership of the church is 539 communicants. There are several flourishing church organizations, the principal of which are the Y. P. S. C. E., Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, Woman's Home Missionary Society and the Ladies' Chapel Circle.

Building operations are an essential part of every religious organization in these days. As we have stated, William Everhart presented the lot on which the church was built, in 1832 to 1834. The building cost about \$5000, and the struggling young congregation had a debt of about \$2000 remaining on it. As years passed on that was paid off with other obligations. In 1861 the church was improved and enlarged at a cost of \$4968.60. Further improvements and changes were made in 1874, at a total cost of over \$4000. This included the fine pipe organ which has done duty ever since. In 1893 a

handsome chapel was erected upon what had previously been a side lot on the east side of the church. A building that had formerly been used as a parsonage, but later occupied by the sexton, was torn away to make room for it. The chapel cost when complete and furnished about \$19,000.

In 1881 the Trustees of the church purchased from Jerome B. Gray a house and lot on Miner street, west of Wayne, for \$6500, which has since been used as a parsonage.

The Sabbath School is now held weekly in the Chapel and the Superintendent is Mr. Wm. C. Husted, one of the Elders. There are 12 officers, 30 teachers and 454 scholars, making a total of 496. In every department the church and school are flourishing.

#### WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN.

The Westminster Church is the youngest of the three Presbyterian Churches in West Chester, but it was from the beginning a vigorous organization, and is to-day one of the strongest church organizations in West Chester. The first move for the organization of this church was made when Rev. J. L. Estlin, then pastor of Dilworthtown Presbyterian Church, began to hold services in Smith's Hall, on Sabbath afternoons, at 4 o'clock. That was early in the year of 1802. The meetings were attended by an average of thirty or forty persons. There had been some talk for ten years previous of the advisability of organizing another Presbyterian Church, but very few persons felt called to go out and start such an organization.

After a few weeks the movement gained much force, and when Presbytery met at Lincoln University, early in June, a petition, signed by a large number of persons, asked that they be organized into a Presbyterian Church. A special meeting of Presbytery was appointed to be held at West Chester on May 25th, 1802, for the purpose, if any way seemed clear, to organize the church. The meeting was held in the Assembly Building, which had in the meantime been secured as a temporary place of worship. One hundred persons presented certificates from the First Presbyterian Church and three from other churches, making a total of 103 charter members.

On May 22d, the first service of the newly organized church was held and Rev. James J. Creigh, of the Protestant Episcopal Church, preached in the morning. A congregational prayer meeting was held in the evening. Rev. Francis E. Arnold, also of the Protestant Episcopal Church, preached on the 29th, both morning and evening.

On June 16th, 1802, a congregational meeting was held and a unanimous call was extended to Rev. B. Canfield Jones, a son of Rev. B. T. Jones, who had for ten years, at one time, been pastor of the First Presbyterian Church. The call was accepted by Mr. Jones and on August 8th, he occupied the pulpit and was installed as pastor September 25th. There were numerous additions to the church during the year.

In January, 1803, the congregation was canvassed for the purpose of ascertaining what could be done toward the erection of a building. Subscriptions ag-

gregating about \$12,000 were secured and it was thought best to proceed to build. In March of that year the property on the southwest corner of Church and Barnard streets, known as the Evans Homestead, was purchased for \$9000. A cash payment of \$3000 was made and a mortgage of \$6000 placed upon the property. The mansion house on this property was first occupied by the Sabbath School on Rallying Day, September 24th, 1803. The preaching services continued to be held in the Assembly building until the chapel was completed and was opened for worship May 28th, 1804.

This chapel was erected and furnished at a total cost of \$8415.43. It is of Avondale stone, is substantially built in gothic style and roofed with slate. The general plan of the church which is at this time in course of erection, was submitted and adopted, together with the plan of the chapel. The architect was Arthur Stanley Cochran, one of the members of the church, who died on January 1st, 1899, and hence, to the regret of every one, did not live to see his plans for the church completed.



WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Rev. B. Canfield Jones, after three years of service, that were greatly blessed, resigned the pastorate, to take effect November 20th, in order to accept the pastorate of Park Presbyterian Church, of Erie, Pa. A call was extended to Rev. J. E. Dripps, D. D., of Philadelphia, who was compelled to decline because of a prior promise to engage in other work. On February 5th, 1806, a call was extended to Rev. Alexander Esler, then a student in Princeton Theological Seminary. He accepted and was ordained and installed June 1st, 1806. In the meantime Rev. C. H. Dunlap, of New Castle, Pa., preached very acceptably and the church still prospered and grew. The same has been true under the ministry of Mr. Esler, who still remains in charge.

Last fall it was thought the time had come when a move for the erection of a church building should be made. Again the congregation was canvassed with the result that over \$13,000 was subscribed. Early last spring the contract for the erection of the church was let to Wm. H. Burns for \$13,076, which

would leave the tower unfinished. Additional subscriptions have been received since and the Building Committee have let the contract, to complete the tower for \$1900 more. This means a building costing \$14,976, with windows, heating appliances carpet and furniture still to be added, which will probably bring the total up to near \$18,000. This includes a small annex to the rear of the chapel. The walls of the building were well above ground when the corner-stone was laid with appropriate ceremonies, on September 12th. The building will be under roof before winter and will be finished early in next year.

At the seventh anniversary of the church, held in the chapel on the evening of May 25th, last, a summary of the work read, showed at that time a membership of 406. It has since increased to 413. During the seven years of its history the church had contributed to the various church boards \$5,855; to the Trustees' fund \$23,573, and to the building fund \$13,092, making a total of \$42,520, or over \$6,000 per year. The pastor is paid a salary of \$1,500 per year and the work is well maintained in other particulars.

The Sabbath School was organized May 29th, 1892, with Mr. Herman F. Wyers, one of the Elders of the church, as Superintendent. The number present the first day was 38. The school has gone regularly forward to this time with Mr. Wyers in charge. At present there are 8 officers, 55 teachers and 257 scholars making a total of 290 on the roll.

#### SECOND PRESBYTERIAN.

It is now just about 19 years since the work began which led up to the organization of the Second Presbyterian Church of West Chester. Prior to that time there had been a few colored people connected with the First Presbyterian Church.

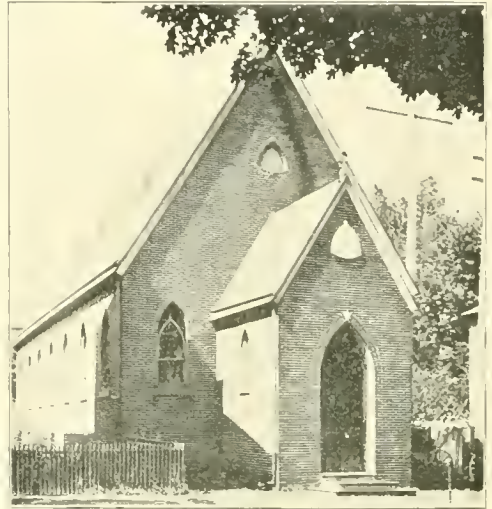
In October, 1880, a Sabbath School for colored people was organized in a second story room on the south side of Gay street, near Church street. Hartman Naylor was temporarily the Superintendent, and several of the prominent members of the First Church taught classes. The chief organizers and promoters of the school were George L. Fry and Jesse Kelly, who urged the Session of the Church to sanction the movement, which was done. Most of the teachers at first were white people and J. Newton Huston, Esq., became the first regular Superintendent of the school.

Subsequently the school was moved to a rear room in the Armory building, on West Gay street.

About April 1st, 1887, the officers of the school rented a small brick church building on Walnut street, south of Miner street, which had formerly belonged to the Berean Baptist Church, which organization had disbanded, and the building had been sold to H. J. Clouser. In that building, on May 21, 1887, the Second Presbyterian Church was organized by Presbytery. For several months previously, Rev. Thomas H. Amos, a licentiate of Chester Presbytery, and student of theology in Lincoln University, had conducted services.

The first pastor was Rev. E. J. Adams, who was installed July 1st, 1888. The second pastor was Rev. C. L. Jefferson, who was installed December 12th, 1889. Rev. William C. Brown became the pastor December 7th, 1893. The present pastor, Rev. C. L. Butler, was installed April 26th, 1899.

When organized, in 1887, the church was very small: 15 persons brought certificates from the First Presbyterian Church. The number enrolled as communicant members at the present time is 61.



SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

There are four Elders and one Deacon and six Trustees. The church was chartered by the Common Pleas Court of Chester County in 1891.

The building has been purchased for \$3500, of which \$1000 was paid and a mortgage for \$2500 was given. As may be readily seen from what has been stated, this church has had a struggle for its existence, but at the present time is making substantial progress.

The Sabbath School is still maintained and at the present time the Superintendent is John A. Francis, with James Anderson as assistant, and the number enrolled is about 70. The pastor teaches a Bible Class, and there are several good teachers recruited from the membership of the church.

An effort is being made to raise sufficient money by the assistance of friends in the Presbytery of Chester to enable them to borrow the balance from the Board of Church Erection and thus be relieved from the payment of interest annually.

#### HOLY TRINITY PARISH.

In the first third of the present century, there were but few Episcopalians in West Chester. Occasionally a clergyman of the Church, from some neighboring parish, visited the town, but such an event was seldom, and it is recorded that but three public services can be recalled prior to 1833.

In 1834 Mr. Anthony Bolmar became Principal of the West Chester Academy, located on the south side of Gay street, between Darlington and New streets. He had students from all parts of the Union, many of whom were Episcopalians, and for their benefit, Rev. Levi Bull and other clergymen conducted services at the school. These services the few Episcopalians of the town and neighborhood attended, which created a desire for a church. On



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November 23d, 1835, several ladies and gentlemen held a meeting to organize a parish. Rev. Levi Bull, who was rector of St. Mary's, Warwick, was present and presided over the meeting and William P. Townsend was the Secretary. The result was that a vestry was chosen, composed of the following: Hon. Cromwell Pearce, Lewis Brinton, John Solomon, George W. Pearce, Anthony Bolmar, James A. Keech, John Hunter, John H. Brinton and William P. Townsend.

On the following day the vestry met and elected Rev. George W. Cole as rector. He at the time was engaged in missionary work in and around the town. The services were held in Odd Fellows' Hall, then located over the office of the Village Record, on North Church street. Rev. Mr. Cole resigned in 1837 and on October 31st, of that year, was succeeded by Rev. Edwin W. Wiltbank, who was also rector of St. John's Church, Concord. The services were held by turn in the hall of the Cabinet of Natural Science, now the Post Office. On April 28th, 1838, a charter of incorporation was secured and the following chosen vestrymen under the charter:

Wardens—J. Lacey Darlington and John Solomon.  
Vestrymen—Hon. Cromwell Pearce, John Tweddle, John Hunter, Anthony Bolmar, John T. Worthington, George W. Pearce, James A. Keech, John Groce, William P. Townsend and Jesse Conard.

The membership at that time consisted of eighteen communicants, and a Sunday School with six teachers and thirty-two scholars. Occasionally the services were held in the Court House, but chiefly in the Cabinet.

During Mr. Wiltbank's rectorship steps were taken to build a church, and in February, 1838, a lot was purchased on the north side of Gay street, opposite the Academy (the present Army of Co. I, Sixth Regiment, N. G. P.) and on June 14th, the cornerstone of the Church of the Holy Trinity was laid by Rt. Rev. H. U. Underdonk, Bishop of the Diocese of Pennsylvania. On April 29th, 1839, Mr. Wiltbank, who had labored with great earnestness, resigned, but did not vacate his rectorship until July 29th, having remained to see the church consecrated, which took place on July 12th, by the Bishop.

The church was of serpentine stone with a frontage of thirty-nine feet, and depth of seventy-nine feet, and cost \$4100.

On August 1st, 1839, Rev. Richard Newton, then in Deacon's orders, was called to the rectorship. On July 26th, 1840, he was ordained a priest by Bishop Underdonk. In November Mr. Newton resigned, and on the 5th of the month Rev. Gregory T. Bedell (afterward Bishop of Ohio), became rector. He was still in Deacon's orders, but on August 29th, 1841, was ordained a priest by Bishop Moore, of Virginia.

In 1842 a Sunday School was built in the rear of the church.

On March 1st, 1843, Mr. Bedell resigned and a call was extended to Rev. John B. Clemson, who entered upon his duties on April 23d, following. During the years 1846-48, Rev. R. Bethel Claxton, Chaplain at the Academy, was assistant rector.

In 1846, Mr. Lewis Brinton, the Junior Warden, presented a lot valued at \$300, containing forty-six feet frontage, located on the southwest corner of Chestnut and Darlington streets for a rectory. This lot was subsequently exchanged for one of the

same frontage on the northwest corner of the same streets, and thirty-four additional feet purchased. In the spring of 1847, the rectory was completed, at a cost of \$4500, and the rector moved into it on March 26th. In March, 1851, a new organ was purchased for \$1200 from Joseph Buffington, an organ builder in Philadelphia.

On April 1st, 1853, Rev. Mr. Clemson resigned as rector, having served for ten years, and was succeeded by Rev. L. P. W. Balch, D. D., who, in the fall of 1854, resigned, and was succeeded on December 24th, 1854, by Rev. William Newton, a brother of the former rector, Rev. Richard Newton.

The increase in the congregation was so great that in 1856 it was deemed necessary to take steps to build another church, and a lot was purchased on the southeast corner of Church and Union streets. In July, 1857, the work of digging out the foundations was commenced, but the financial depression of that year caused a suspension of work, together with the discovery that the architect of Philadelphia was unreliable, and the property was sold. (It is now the site of the residences of Mr. C. H. Campbell and Mrs. Oati. It was then decided to enlarge the property on Gay street, by extending the church to the street line. These alterations were completed March 22d, 1858. During the time services were held in "Cabinet Hall.")

On April 13th, 1863, Rev. Mr. Newton resigned, and a call was extended to Rev. John Bolton, of Morristown, N. J., who accepted and entered upon his duties October 31.

In 1867 the subject of a new church was again before the vestry and on January 1st, 1868, it was decided to take steps to that end. A lot was purchased at the corner of High and Union streets from the Commodore Elliott estate, for \$5000. On July 3d, of that year, the cornerstone was laid by Rev. Henry J. Morton, D. D., acting for the Bishop. The Building Committee was Rev. John Bolton, architect, and Addison May and Richard Gilpin, the contractor being Bently Worth. The stone was serpentine, from the quarries of Joseph H. Brinton, in Thornbury township.

On January 23d, 1870, the new edifice was completed, and occupied for service. On April 28th it was consecrated by Rt. Rev. Wm. Bacon Stevens, Bishop of the Diocese. The consecration sermon was preached by Rt. Rev. G. T. Bedell, Bishop of Ohio, who was a former rector. The church cost \$29,533, which does not include the tower. The Gay street building was altered for a Sunday School at a cost of \$1726.

In the fall of 1870 the foundations of the tower were laid to the level of the church floor and cost \$700. On February 5th, 1873, a new organ was presented to the church by the congregation, and cost about \$3000.

On December 8th, 1877, the church was damaged by fire to the extent of \$1000, which was entirely covered by insurance.

In March, 1882, the property on Gay street was sold for \$6000 to Company I, Sixth Regiment, N. G. P., and in April following, work upon the Parish Building was commenced, and completed December 6th, of the same year, costing \$10,273. On April 26th, 1884, work was commenced upon the tower, which was built to the height of thirty-three feet, costing \$2715.

On November 23d, 1855, the Semi-Centennial of the parish occurred, which was attended by a large number of clergymen, among whom were two former rectors, Rev. Drs. J. B. Clemons and Richard Newton.

In 1886, the rectory, corner of Chestnut and Darlington streets, was sold to Miss S. R. Bowman, for \$6000, and a lot was purchased on the southeast corner of High and Union streets, from Henry Buckwalter, for \$3200, on which a new rectory was built during the year at a cost of \$5939.

In 1889 work was again commenced on the tower, the church having received a legacy of \$5000 from the estate of Mr. James Neeley. The tower was completed in January, 1890, at a cost of \$4892. The total cost of the same was \$8200.

A chime of bells, ten in number, costing about \$2500, was the gift of the following persons: The late James C. Smith, of Oakbourne, the Tweddle family, Albany, N. Y., in memory of Sarah Tweddle; Miss Sybilla Brinton, Mr. Thomas H. Montgomery, Rector's Warden, Mr. Joseph B. Dillingham, in memory of his brother, Charles Chauncey Dillingham; Mrs. Frederic C. Brinton, Dr. John R. Everhart, to the memory of his brother, Hon. James B. Everhart; Miss Susan Gorgas, a very liberal contributor to the parish; Mrs. C. Wesley Talbot and Mrs. O. W. Davis, to the memory of her late husband, O. Wilson Davis, Esq. The chimes were first rung on Easter Day, April 19, 1890. In the tower entrance are memorial windows to Wm. J. McCormick, an active and earnest worker in the Sunday School; Benjamin F. Pyle, Esq., a former vestryman, and Mrs. S. J. Farley.

On January 1st, 1891, Rev. John Bolton resigned after a rectorship of twenty-seven years, and was elected rector emeritus of the parish.

On August 26th, 1891, a call was extended to Rev. G. Heathcote Hills, M. A., of Riverton, N. J., who accepted and entered upon his duties on October 1st. The new rector was instituted in the parish on November 23d, by the Bishop of the Diocese, and the sermon for the occasion was preached by Rev. Cornelius B. Smith, D. D., of St. James' Church, New York City. The new rector entered upon his duties with great activity and many changes were made in both the interior of the church and the service. Within a month after assuming the rectorship, Mr. Hills organized a male choir of thirty-eight voices, which were put under a course of training by himself and wife. As it was to be a vested choir, cottas and cassocks were ordered for them from Cox & Sons, London. Alterations in the chancel were commenced, an organ chamber was built on the south side of the chancel and the organ was removed from the gallery in the west end of the church, and the gallery torn down. These alterations cost \$1500.

On January 31st, 1892, the vested choir made their appearance in their stalls in the chancel.

This new change brought with it many memorial gifts appropriate to the new order; an altar, sanctuary lights, altar cross, eagle lectern, chancel hangings and new service books for use in the sanctuary were added within four months after the arrival of Mr. Hills.

During the summer of 1892 a choir room, 36x24 feet, with vestment closets for forty-five choristers, was built at a cost of \$1300, connecting the

parish building with the church. This addition was completed in September of the above year.

In 1895 a property on the alley in the rear of Church street, giving an outlet upon Barnard street, was purchased for \$500.

During the three years following Mr. Hills' entrance upon the rectorship new memorials were given, in addition to those already mentioned, as a corona in the chancel, new ecclesiastical vestments, Alms basin, Communion service and a brass Processional Cross for the choir; a memorial window by the Misses Townsend, in memory of their sister, Mrs. Rebecca T. Brown; a handsome west window by Mrs. H. P. Norris, to the memory of her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Elbs, a valued supporter of the parish. This window is one of the finest ever made by the Tiffany Company, of New York, and is estimated to be worth \$3000.

On January 1st, 1898, the parish building was damaged by fire, but fully covered by insurance. In the repairs the Sunday School room was enlarged, thus giving the finest church assembly room in the borough.

On October 1st, 1898, Rev. Mr. Hills resigned, and on January 26th, 1899, a call was accepted by Rev. Arthur Rogers, of Central Falls, R. I., who entered upon his duties on March 12.

The total valuation of the church property is about \$70,000. The present vestry is composed of the following: Wardens, Thomas H. Montgomery and John H. Darlington. Vestrymen, Charles M. Grimm, W. D. Hartman, M. D., Percy C. Hoskins, M. D., W. S. Windle, Esq., C. H. McCowan, D. D. S., Robert C. Hemphill, Wm. B. Stewart, Wm. C. Wells, Esq., H. A. Rothrock, M. D., and George W. Conway.

The church has a seating capacity of 800, and the parish building auditorium a capacity for 400.

The present number of communicants is 450, and the Sunday School numbers 175 scholars and officers.

There are a number of Parochial organizations connected with the parish, to wit: The Women's Working Guild, Brotherhood of St. Andrew, St. Ursula's Guild, Altar Society, Daughters of the King, Mother's Meeting and Sewing Society.

#### CHURCH OF THE SURE FOUNDATION.

The Church of the Sure Foundation (Reformed Episcopal) is one of the younger religious organizations which was unknown until less than a generation ago.

It had its origin when Rev. George David Cummins, D. D., Bishop of Kentucky, and a small body of followers refused longer to be bound by the restraints which those, who were called High Church Episcopalians, threw around them. The organization was effected in the year 1872. It was characterized by Bishop Cummins as "The Old and True Protestant Episcopal Church of the days immediately succeeding the American Revolution."

From the first the movement had some sympathizers among the Episcopalians of this community, and when Rev. William Newton, D. D., came here from Philadelphia, in 1882, purposing to organize a church, he found a few families ready to join in the movement. Dr. Newton was well-known here, for he had once been the rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity. He was a scholarly and distinguished



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divine and hymnologist, a brother of the celebrated Rev. Richard Newton, D. D., and an uncle of Rev. Heber Newton, of New York.

The first service in West Chester was held in the old Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church, then and now known as the Armory, on West Gay street, on the evening of January 21st, 1883. In consequence of the high price charged for the use of the building, it was determined to seek other quarters for the services and the old Cabinet Hall, (now the Post Office), was accordingly rented. The first service was held February 4th and continued for three months, until May 6th, 1883.

About this time a commodious room, formerly used as the school room of the Young Ladies' Seminary, taught by the Misses Evans, was placed at the disposal of the congregation.

The first service was held in the new chapel on May 13th, 1883. Over \$500 was spent in fitting it up at that time.

The church was organized April 15th, 1884, with 17 charter members.

The Sabbath School was organized and held its first meeting June 10th, 1884, with only four scholars. From this small beginning the present successful and prosperous congregation has grown. Dr. Newton labored long and faithfully in spite of failing health and eyesight. He died February 15th, 1893, and his wife, February 17th, 1897, a singular coincidence being that while the Doctor was interred on February 20th, 1893, his wife was laid to

rest beside him in Oaklands Cemetery on February 20th, 1897, just four years later.

The successor of Dr. Newton was the present rector, Rev. Sydney Neville Ussher, B. D., who was called to the parish June 20th, 1893, hence he is now in the seventh year of his rectorship. The church has prospered greatly during his ministry. Its membership at the present time is 125. The Sabbath School has an enrollment of 157 and the income of the church is about \$2,000 annually and is self-supporting.

In 1887 the entire building was remodeled. Miss Palmyra C. Evans and her sister, Mrs. Newton, had given the church a deed for the property.

The cost of remodeling the building was \$4600. On February 26th, 1888, it was opened and consecrated by Bishop Wm. R. Nicholson, D. D. In 1894, after the coming of the present rector, further improvements were made at a cost of several hundred dollars.

There is at present a project on foot which, if consummated, will see the present building demolished and a handsome new edifice more than twice its size erected in its place at an estimated cost of \$10,000.

Two weeks from the opening of this Centennial the Synod of New York and Philadelphia will hold its nineteenth annual session in this church. It is expected that about 125 delegates will be present.

In all respects the young church has prospered and the outlook for its future is encouraging.



## FIRST BAPTIST.

The First Baptist Church of West Chester, like several of the other religious organizations of our borough, dates its beginning from a series of meetings held in the Court House. The Roman Catholics, Friends, Methodist and Presbyterians, all were organized before the Baptist.

In 1833 the Central Union Association of Baptist Churches arranged for the holding of a protracted meeting in the Court House here commencing November 27th, 1833. The meetings continued from day to day without interruption for a period of twenty days. The congregations were very large and much excitement prevailed. Nineteen persons were baptized as a part of the fruits of that work and on the 23d of December, 1833, they met and resolved unanimously to organize a church, and on

ed of O. Stover, Esq., for \$400. Samuel Bard contracted to build the church for \$1764.

A cupola cost \$100 more and subsequently the basement was fitted up at a cost of \$500, making a total of \$2764 expended in the first lot and house of worship. The lot had a frontage 50 feet on Church street. The building was 41x50 feet.

At that time Rev. George I. Miles was pastor, he having succeeded Rev. Thomas C. Teasdale, on January 1st, 1835. The first sermon was preached in the new building on the first Sunday in January, 1836, but the pastor was too ill to be present and the sermon was delivered by Rev. Going, of New York, who happened to be in town. It may be stated in this connection as one item for comparison with the present that the salary paid Rev. Miles was \$300 per year.

From its organization to the present time the First Baptist Church has had nineteen pastors, Rev. Joshua E. Wills, the present pastor, having taken charge August 8th, 1897, as the successor of Rev. J. H. Chambers, who still remains in West Chester, and is the pastor of Olivet Baptist Church. The First Baptist Church prospered from the beginning. It was weak at first, as the records show, but every year showed growth and development. It finally outgrew the old building and a new and more commodious building became a necessity. The corner-stone was laid July 4th, 1854, and the building was dedicated on the 29th and 30 of August, 1857. The new building is the one in which the congregation still worships. It is a neat and commodious brick structure with basement fitted up for Sabbath School purposes.

The lot was purchased of the late John Lent and David Meconkey. The portion obtained of John Lent was 55 feet, 9 inches front on High street, and that purchased from David Meconkey was nine feet front on High street. The first lot cost \$15 per foot and the second \$20. They thus obtained a lot 64 feet, 9 inches front on High street and running back to an alley. The contractor was Robert Lowry, a carpenter residing in West Chester. Ground was broken on June 3d, the corner-stone being laid, as we have stated, on July 4th, 1854. By a singular coincidence the church extended a call soon after to Rev. Robert Lowry, who became the pastor October 1st, 1854, and remained until September 1st, 1858. Thus two men of the same name builded: one the temporal and the other

the spiritual church. Services were held in the lecture room the first Sunday in January, 1855. As funds came in the work went forward and at last was completed. Rev. J. Wheaton Smith, of Philadelphia, preached the dedication sermon. The cost of lot and building complete was about \$10,816.67. The building is 81 feet long and 41 wide, with the ground floor fitted up for lecture room and Sabbath School. In 1886 a small addition was made on the south side and the baptistry and pulpit placed there. The pews were all taken out and the church was furnished with chairs. These changes cost about \$4000. In 1898 a handsome new pipe organ was put in the church at a cost of \$1500 and during the present year the pulpit was again placed at the



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the 23d of January, 1834, it was formally constituted in the presence of Reverends William Brantly, D. D., L. Fletcher, T. C. Teasdale, George I. Miles, D. Nichols, William S. Hall and William Smith.

A large delegation from surrounding churches was present and the meeting was held in the Court House. The church was constituted with 24 members and Rev. T. C. Teasdale became the first pastor. From the time of the organization of the church until February 2d meetings were held daily, and as a result fourteen persons were baptized.

In the summer and autumn of 1855 the congregation was engaged in the erection of a church building. A lot on the West side of Church street, between Market and Miner streets, was purchas-

east end of the building and the seats faced around to it. These changes and the putting in of a water motor, to pump the organ bellows, cost altogether about \$400.

In 1883 the church celebrated its 50th anniversary with appropriate services and Rev. Isaac Haldeeman, of New York, who was a native of West Chester, and former member of the Church, preached the sermon.

In 1874 forty of the members of the First Baptist church withdrew and organized the Berean Baptist Church. They maintained a struggling organization for about ten years and then dissolved. Finally most of the survivors returned to the First Baptist Church.

In 1897, when Rev. J. H. Chambers resigned the pastorate of the church, 117 members requested their certificates in order to unite with the movement for the organization of another Baptist Church. Their request was granted and they united with the Olivet Baptist Church. Notwithstanding the withdrawal of so large a body of members, the First Baptist Church has steadily prospered. Its membership at the present time is 415 and last year there was raised for all purposes \$3304.45 and of this sum \$2278.59 was expended on the home work.

The Sabbath School was organized in 1834 and has been maintained ever since. There was a time in its history, when the late Dr. Joseph E. Jones was its Superintendent, that it was the largest Sabbath School in town. At present Charles H. Campbell is Superintendent. There are 6 officers, 26 teachers and 329 scholars on the roll.

#### OLIVET BAPTIST.

One of the recent church organizations in West Chester is Olivet Baptist Church, which organization was effected in the Opera House on Sunday morning, April 18th, 1897; hence it is at this time only in its third year. A temporary organization had been effected April 1st, and when the permanent organization was effected the same officers were continued. It was as follows: Rev. J. H. Chambers, pastor; Wilmer M. Cox and George F. Townsend, Deacons; Dr. E. L. Pye, Clerk; A. J. Conradt, Treasurer, and Howard A. Black, Bible School Superintendent.

The following were elected a Board of Trustees: J. Warren Frame, Albert J. Conradt, Manlius G. Marsh, Howard A. Black, J. Rudolph Manley, Mrs. John A. Rupert and Mrs. Stephen C. Black.

The total number of members enrolled was 118, all but one of whom had been regularly dismissed by letter from the First Baptist Church of West Chester, for the purpose of constituting the Olivet Church.

The Council of Recognition was held May 2d, 1897. It was a representative body and unanimously recognized the Olivet as a regular independent Baptist Church. During the Spring and Summer the services were held in the Opera House. During the Fall and Winter in the Armory. Both Church and Sabbath School prospered.

Very soon inquiry was made for a suitable lot on which to erect a building of their own and on September 29th, 1897, a lot was purchased from Mrs. Francis E. Arnold. This lot is situated on the south-

west corner of Union and New streets fronting 143 1-2 feet on New street and 70 1-2 on Union street. A Building Committee was appointed, consisting of George F. Townsend, Stephen C. Black and J. R. Manley with the pastor, co-operating. Prof. Joseph J. Baily was the architect and the contractor was awarded to Harry M. Burns, a West Chester builder. The building erected is a chapel and very well adapted for Sabbath School purposes. It is of blue limestone from the Downingtown quarries. There are 50x50 feet of floor space with one annex of 20x20 feet and another of 20x7 feet. A spacious gallery extends around two sides of the building. There is ample room for a church building to be erected on the Union street front, and it is the intention of the congregation at no distant day to erect such a building. It is their intention to so build that the two rooms may be thrown together when there may be, on occasions, a congregation large enough to require it.

The original price that was paid for the lot was \$1257 and with the chapel completed and furnished the property is valued at \$10,000. The present membership of the church is 181 and the Sabbath School shows and enrollment of 373. The Treasurer of the church is now J. Warren Frame and the Clerk is A. Wayne Elliott. The present Board of Trustees consists of Shoffner M. Smith, President; Mrs. M. A. Peterman, Secretary; J. Warren Frame Treasurer; Howard A. Black, H. J. Clouser, Stephen C. Black and Mrs. John A. Rupert, members. The total money raised and expended the first year was \$3340.67 and the second year it was \$4669.46. The pastor, Rev. J. H. Chambers, had erected for himself last year a very commodious and pretty residence adjoining the chapel which places him convenient to his work.



OLIVET BAPTIST CHURCH.

In September, 1899, the Young Men's Baraca Bible Class organized, with half a hundred members, all deeply interested in the spiritual work, and the following officers: Charles M. Townsend, President; Allen D. Broomell, Vice-President; Harry Senger, Secretary; Battin Good, Assistant Secretary; Roland A. Elliott, Treasurer; J. H. Chambers, Press Reporter; Mrs. J. H. Chambers, Teacher; Richard Savage, Assistant Teacher.

## ST. PAUL'S BAPTIST CHURCH.

There are no official records preserved of the first meetings held by colored Baptists in West Chester, but from the files of the Local News it appears that on January 29th, 1887, anxious meetings were advertised to be held at No. 307 East Market street. A little later Rev. H. B. Price began preaching reg-



ST. PAUL'S BAPTIST CHURCH.

ularly in an old frame house which is still standing on the north side of Magnolia street a short distance west of the railroad. The name of Baptist Colored Mission was used. He seems to have maintained meetings through the summer following. Near the close of 1887, Rev. Asbury Smallwood came here from Chester, Delaware county. The pastor of a colored Baptist Church had sent him here to labor. He proved very diligent and faithful, working for a living, preaching and holding prayer meetings. On Sunday, December 15th, 1887, he held his first service in a room in the third story of what was then known as the Babb building, on the northeast corner of Gay and Church streets. Having moved up town and changed pastors a change of name was

also given the Mission. It was now called The Angel Visit Baptist Mission. There the congregation worshiped probably two years. Several persons had professed conversion and an organization was effected, but no official recognition was given them other than what comes from individual encouragement of Christian people.

Then Delaney Hall, on the south side of East Miner street, was purchased from Zachariah Cain for \$500. They paid \$75 cash, gave him a mortgage for \$425, which was made a second mortgage, a Building and Loan Association mortgage for \$300 being first. They paid dues into the Building and Loan Association for five years and then raised the money and paid the mortgage off in preference to paying six years longer. The lot was 25x120 feet. In the fall of 1897, they purchased a lot adjoining it on the east side, from Thomas E. Wesley, for \$300. This lot was the same size as the former and gave them 50 feet front on Miner street. They then moved Delaney Hall to the rear of the lot and let a contract to Harry M. Burns, of West Chester, to build them a brick building. On Sunday morning, February 6th, 1898, the Hall was burned, and it became necessary to rent a place to worship in. They secured the old Adams Street School House and worshipped there until their new house was finished.

On August 13th, 1899, they had the joy of dedicating a handsome and commodious building, which cost \$4000.

The present pastor is Rev. J. C. King. He has been in charge a little over six years. The name of Angel Visit Baptist Mission was dropped when the organization of a church was effected and the name of Second Baptist Church was assumed. That again gave place to St. Paul's Baptist Church, about the time that building operations were begun and it is under that name that the organization is likely to act in the future.

There is a debt of over \$2000 on the building, but that the congregation hopes to be able to provide for in the near future.

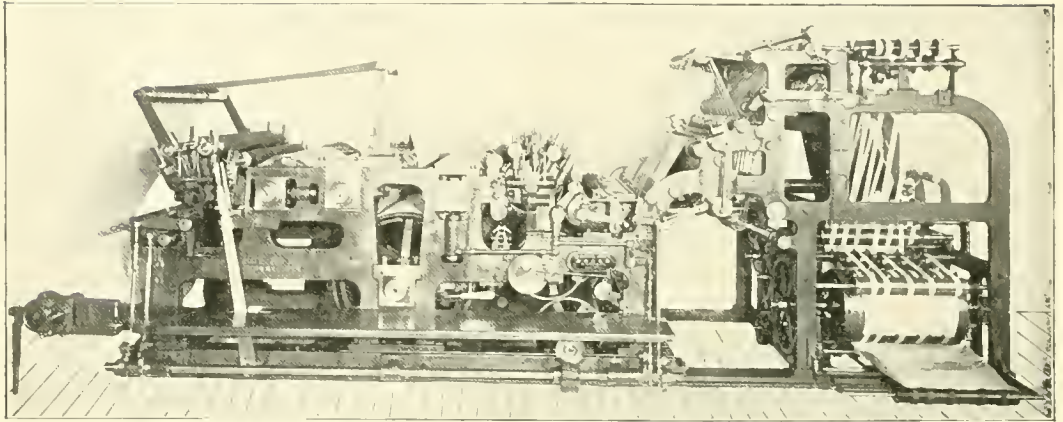
## CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCH.

A Christian Science Church was formally organized in West Chester, Pa., on August 29th, 1898, as a branch church of "The First Church of Christ Scientist, in Boston, Massachusetts." It is not yet incorporated. Since its organization, regular meetings have been held in the West Chester Public Library Hall on Wednesday evenings and Sunday mornings of each week, with an average attendance of thirty. The services are uniform throughout all the churches of the denomination and are conducted by two readers, usually a male and female, the one reading the Bible, and the other from "Science and Health With Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy, the denominational text book. The readers of the West Chester Church are at present Miss Anna F. Darlington and Miss Edith S. Darlington.

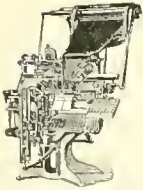


# THE DAILY LOCAL NEWS.

Its History, a Prominent Part of the Story of the Borough.



DAILY LOCAL NEWS' PRESS.



This small volume would lack a decided feature in the history of West Chester were it to go to the public without a chapter telling of the DAILY LOCAL NEWS.

As the pioneer daily newspaper in Chester county, it has been very much in evidence during the past twenty-seven years, which

period covers its existence, as a persistent gleaner and careful chronicler of the events of the county in general and of West Chester in particular.

Its history is interesting to the public who have made it the success it enjoys, and who likewise have aided in making it a marvel in the eyes of newspaper men, not only in this State, but wherever its story has become known.

Since it introduced itself as a candidate for public favor, this borough has risen out of its village habits, customs and methods; has thrown aside its swaddling clothes so to speak and towered up to a town that to-day invites only a form of procedure necessary to the making of a city. That this step will not be long delayed is apparent. Already the idea is in the minds of men, in the air and upon all things that constitute a town of 10,000 inhabitants and with all the conveniences of modern times. In this development the DAILY LOCAL NEWS has been an active and untiring helper.

In this presentation of the story which tells of its birth, growth and present standing, the reader will readily be made to realize that it has not only kept pace with the town's growth, but in many respects it has been a leader, beckoning the borough and its people on to those efforts necessary for the consummation of grand achievements.

The germ of the DAILY LOCAL NEWS was the publication of a daily programme in connection with the Teachers' County Institute in the fall of 1872. County Superintendent Pierce was in charge

of that annual assemblage, and it was he who gave permission for the programme to be distributed among the teachers. It was a small four page sheet issued in the morning. Besides the features of the Institute, it each morning carried several columns of local and other news. It proved a welcome visitor to the teachers as well as to all the merchants in the town, at whose places of business it was gratuitously distributed.

Friday was the closing day of the Institute, hence the issue of that day was the final one for the "Daily Institute News," the name given it.

So many were the expressions of regret heard at parting with the little morning caller, and it was these remarks that led to the thought that a real daily paper might survive in West Chester.

As a result of this suggestion the DAILY LOCAL NEWS made its initial bow two weeks later, on Tuesday afternoon, November 19th, 1872.

The first number had sixteen columns or four columns to the page, the size of page being 12 1-2 by 8 3-4 inches. This was a timid venture, but the circumstances warranted it. Some ridiculed it, but that was to be expected, and nobody was hurt by the unfavorable comment. To give to intelligent Chester county its Pioneer Daily newspaper was a venture attended with considerable distrust as to what the result would be.

The people recognized this fact, and its publishers were not indifferent to it. Indeed, they scarcely dared to hope for it a long and useful career—and yet they had a hope—that essential monitor which ever has a footing within the human breast. Once before the people, they felt that its success, its life, was left mainly with them, and pushing the little craft from shore, they asked for it that fostering care as is generally to be secured of an intelligent and generous people.

It is not out of place to also say that the initial step was taken without the solicitation of a subscrip-

tion or an advertisement, and the reader will understand that with the whole broad field to reap success or failure from, the paper's reception was watched for with much interest and every favorable omen was duly made and highly appreciated.

The first two issues were distributed gratuitously, and on the third day regular carriers were put upon the streets, a semi-organized effort at soliciting subscribers was made, and ere the first week of its existence had been completed the carriers reported at the counter the gratifying intelligence that people had begun to look for the paper and to speak words of commendation in its behalf.

The name chosen was intended to indicate that the paper would be largely devoted to giving the local news of the town and county.

The year of 1873 dawned upon the effort and found it slowly forging links of friendship in the hearts of the people, while business men, a few of them only, having ventured to test the efficacy of advertising in its columns with satisfactory results the horizon of our enterprise began to wear a clearer aspect, clouds were fewer and less foreboding of disaster, and as a result of this favorable outlook an enlargement was made on February 3d, 1873, by way of adding a column to each page and correspondingly lengthening the sheet, thereby making its size 15 by 11 inches.

This change spoke volumes for the enterprise. It told the public that its pulse was stronger and more steady, and that if it were destined to fall by the wayside it chose to do so in larger form than its obsequies might claim more of the attention of its friends. By exertions that were active and by zealous methods that were day by day adhered to with a persistency that indicated business, the subscription list gradually grew until by the last of the following June it boasted of eight hundred—all of them good friends and not sparing of complimentary terms.

A few weeks later found the office daily a scene of confusion and activity, made so by hundreds of people clamoring to secure copies of the paper to learn the latest relating to the wierd mysteries which surrounded the finding of the carved body of Winfield Scott Goss in Baer's woods, near Penningtonville (now Atglen), the victim of the desperate Udderzook.

At this time a slow-going but good Campbell press and a small vertical engine and boiler were the machinery employed in running off the paper.

The press was a primitive one, indeed, when compared with the demand made upon it, it being without a "fly," this want being supplied by means of a small boy, who languidly took the sheets from the cylinder as it rolled on its sluggish course in printing the large editions of that time. Like all drum cylinder presses it could not be hurried and the only thing left to be done was to "go to press" at 1 o'clock p. m., and continue the work until 8 o'clock and often till a later hour. From a circulation of 800, the exciting impulse created by the Goss-Udderzook murder, increased in a few days to 5,600 copies, and with this, the demand was not supplied, because of the inability of the machinery to perform the work.

From all quarters of Chester and surrounding counties clubs in hundreds, fifties and some of fewer numbers came rushing in until the business de-

partment of the office was literally besieged with demands and orders for the paper, so that the confusion was only equalled by the plaintive rumbling of the old press in the cellar in its vain efforts to supply the needs of people everywhere to learn the latest relating to the unraveling of the mystic chain of circumstances associated with that deed of blood.

This condition of affairs lasted until after the law had been vindicated in the execution of the guilty man, and then there came the only retrograde season the paper has ever experienced in this term of twenty-seven years.

Though it was not supposed that the reaction which was then manifesting itself would reduce the list of subscribers to what it was when the sudden increase came, still it was not a cheerful experience to daily witness scores of the newcomers drifting from the roster of patrons, and the wonder was naturally felt as to where the retrograde movement would stop. For weeks this drain kept going on happily lessening its force each day until one-half of the 5,600 had gone their way, and then it was that the line steadied itself—stood still—and the low water mark of the outgoing tide was reached.

On the 19th of November, 1873, the first anniversary, another increase of size became necessary by reason of advertising patronage, and one inch was added to the length of columns, making them 17 inches long. This was not a marked addition, but it gave what was equivalent to twenty inches, or a column and a quarter, as a total, and besides making the proportions more symmetrical, the space proved to be valuable and timely applied, as subsequent favors on the part of our enterprising home merchants made evident.

Public confidence continued to manifest itself on every hand and it became apparent that the people regarded the project as one that might, with careful coaching, remain for a time, and they seemed disposed to foster the enterprise and in various ways showed a practical interest in the undertaking, and this was not only apparent in its advertising columns but equally so upon its subscription list. The now slow but steady coming in of new subscribers served to tax the old press to a degree that was not intended by its builders, and the procuring of a new one to supply its place could no longer be postponed, hence on June 20th, 1874, one of Hoe's three revolution presses was put in at a cost of \$3,500, and the whole being of the NEWS seemed inspired, as it really was, with a new life.

With the putting in of the new press, just as the supply of one want uniformly begets another, a new engine and boiler became necessary, and these were supplied in a few weeks.

The rapidly advancing centennial year, with its attractions and many business suggestions, came, and, like hundreds of others engaged in the pursuit of dollars and cents, the NEWS' management erroneously foresaw a pulsing season in business circles, to meet which it was deemed necessary to prepare with promptness and liberality. Inspired by this omen, which proved to be, to very many, a disastrous one, another enlargement of the paper was thought proper, and, accordingly, on May 1, 1876, a more extensive addition was made by way of giving it a column to each page, and lengthening the same, so it grew from a sheet of 17x11 to one of 18 1-4x13 inches, thereby convincing the people

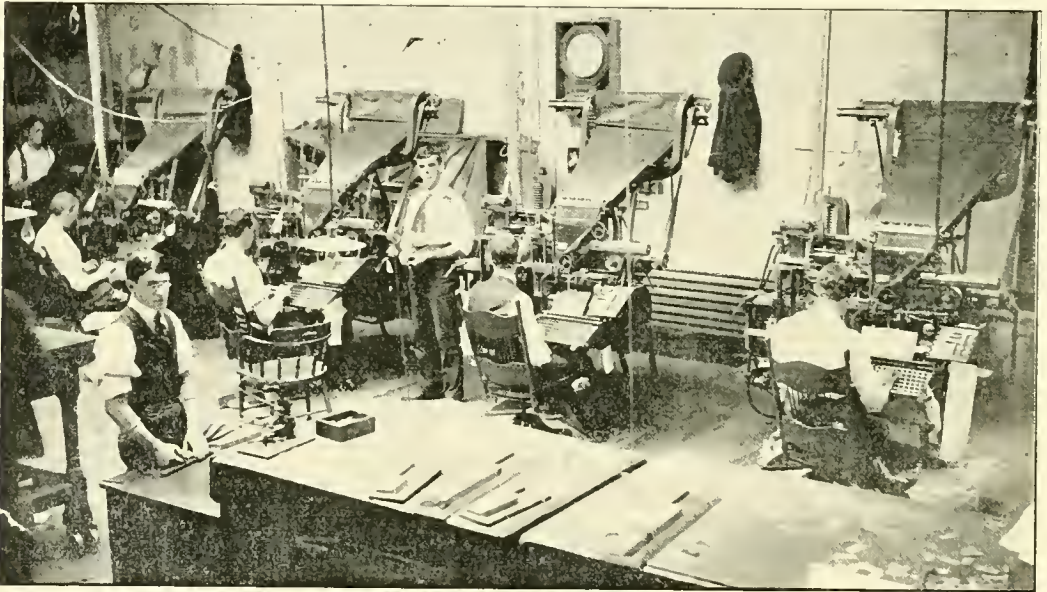
that it was driving ahead and that it was no longer a venture, but a fixed fact, with staying qualities exceeding even the most sanguine hopes entertained by its projectors.

This increase of size was the only one in its history that was not warranted by the real demands of the time or of the near future, as was early proven by the marked laxity of business throughout this section during the Centennial Exhibition period. Even active business men seemed for the time to lose their love and tenacity for the store, the workshop and the field, and all seemed bent on seeing the sights which art and science had gathered from the civilized world in the mammoth buildings, prepared for their reception in the Quaker City. The six months of the exhibition clouded the spring trade of that year, almost wholly set aside that of the summer, and sadly crippled the following fall and winter business, so that when that ever memorable year had been gathered into the embraces of the past, people for the first time reflected and realized that it had been

flected in the advertising columns of the NEWS, and the future held out to it still brighter prospects of success.

The next demand for enlargement was acceded to on October 8, 1878, when the columns were each lengthened 1 1-4 inches, making the sheet 19 1-2x13 inches, at which it continued up to October 23, 1886, when an additional column to each page and 1 1-2 inches added to each page gave it such an increase of proportions as to make it a wonder in the eyes of the public and especially the newspaper men who watch with interest the drift of inland journalism.

This necessitated another press, and one of Hoe's Type-Web Perfecting Presses was purchased at a cost of \$16,000. It was a gem in the way of complete mechanism and an object of wonder for thousands to look upon. It was the first perfecting press to find its way into an inland newspaper office in America, and it performed its work faithfully until obliged to make room for a still more modern piece of machinery.



LINOTYPE OPERATORS AT WORK.

an off year in their business pursuits, and that their bank accounts, instead of fattening upon the predicted influences of the exhibition, had been sadly worsened, and that play and work were as much at variance with each other as they ever had been associated with the stern duties of life. This was the experience of the DAILY LOCAL NEWS, and the enlargement made in that year should have been reserved for at least a year later. The additional paper employed, together with the increase of composition, coupled with a relaxation in business, had the effect to make themselves felt, and that season in its history is appropriately referred to as a rather perplexing one. This period, however, was of short duration. Business again revived, and before long the gloom passed by, and the new order of things, or, rather, a return to the old order, was re-

To witness 12,000 copies nicely printed and folded per hour was something to marvel at, and as the new machine moved off to what seemed a new inspiration of genius and handiwork, the want thus supplied suggested that there would be nothing new in the way of press needed for many years to come. How very apt we are to be blinded by the present in forecasting the future. This fact was early demonstrated because of a new want for something still larger and faster being felt and this was duly supplied in December, 1895, in another of Hoe's fast perfecting presses, capable of tossing off 25,000 sheets per hour, in four or eight pages, as circumstances might suggest. This press has its duplicate in one of the leading newspaper offices in the city of Boston, a point we introduce by way of showing that at least in one respect West Chester



NEWSBOYS WAITING FOR PAPERS.

is abreast with the progressiveness of that great metropolis. Along with this press were put into service four of the celebrated Mergenthaler Linotypes, or type-setting machines, also a complete stereotyping and mechanical outfit, which is used for turning out the paper at this time.

About the same time typewriters were put in use by the reportorial corps, which accession has served to keep pace with the other rapid developments, in the way of making "copy" for the Linotype operators.

The years intervening between 1886 and the present have brought an increase of subscription and advertising patronage that have served to give the enterprise an enviable reputation throughout Eastern Pennsylvania, and everywhere it is justly credited with having the largest circulation of the inland dailies of this State.

And it is proper in this connection to say here that this marvelous success has been attained through making the paper a meritorious one, by observing and following out those lines as represent clean and honest methods, and without calling into play the "chromo" assistance, that of making amends for the shortcomings of the paper itself by giving something as a prize by way of boosting it temporarily into the homes of the people. It is a pleasure to record this fact, because of there being

so many alleged newspapers to-day engaged in the "prize package" act as a means of alluring people to become their patrons.

It has steadfastly adhered to the principles which actuated its coming into existence, that of being liberal to all parties, sects and creeds. It was started to give news of the county in full, of the State in condensed form and that of a wider character in a still more abbreviated way. That it has done all this to the satisfaction of the people is attested by their liberality in giving it their support, thus making it a paper for the people and by the people, and if continued energies and renewed determinations are necessary for holding it fast in their affections it shall not perish from the earth; but, on the contrary, grow bigger, better and in every way continue a reliable vehicle for the latest news, given in a fair, impartial and reliable manner.

During the period to which this sketch is dedicated, there has been expended by the News proprietor the sum of \$50,000 for new machinery alone, or what would have purchased ten good Chester county farms. This item must convey to the reader the thought of there being something more than mere recreation in the business of conducting a newspaper and that it requires some nerve and a good deal of cash in order to tide over the demands as they present themselves from time to time.

**T**HE DAILY LOCAL NEWS FAMILY, those who have been for years associated in the work of putting the paper out, has changed but little, comparatively speaking. The proprietor and editor's names have occupied their places continuously during the entire twenty-seven years—something that has never before been known in Chester county newspaper history and may never occur again.

The business manager has been at his post since 1880, and of the five over-vigilant reporters, all of them have been in continuous duty for periods ranging from seven to seventeen years. Two of the reportorial staff died in the harness, as did two proof readers. The foreman in the composing room has served the paper well for a period of over twenty-one years, and the pressman and engineer's term covers a period of over fourteen years.

Reference to the above is made by way of demonstrating that those who have been foremost in the work have been satisfied with each other—the employer and his employes, and they in turn with him, to a degree equally complimentary on the part

of all, and we doubt if there is in this State a corps of men who have worked together in greater harmony for such a term of years as those to whom this paragraph refers. The prime cause for this is that all have felt more than an ordinary interest in their work and the interests involved in the success of the paper. They have proved themselves willing, conscientious and untiring in their efforts to advance it and make it acceptable in the homes of the people of Chester county, and this sketch would indeed be incomplete were they and their labors permitted to pass by unnoticed.

At this time, when the town of West Chester is in its Centennial garb, while its historians are telling its story, poets singing its praises and bands making the welkin ring as marching hosts people the streets, new plans for the DAILY LOCAL NEWS are in process of maturation. A newer style of press—a faster one—with more margin to meet the fast increasing wants, will soon be secured to perform this work.

The world moves and the DAILY LOCAL NEWS moves with it.

## WHERE WAGE WINNERS THRIVE.

### A Review of the Manufacturing Interests of West Chester.

**I**N THE past West Chester has not been ambitious to shine as a manufacturing town, the majority of her people preferring to invest their capital in other than home industries, yet there are several manufacturing plants which have been conducted here with profit, as the following summary will show:

#### WEST CHESTER STEAM LAUNDRY.

The West Chester Steam Laundry was established in 1891, and is conducted with much success by Charles T. McFarland and Isaac Reynolds, doing business as McFarland & Reynolds. They have \$20,000 invested in their plant, and the pay-roll includes about fifty regular hands, with sometimes as many as seventy-five. Branch offices are in operation in all the neighboring towns, and an immense amount of work is done every week.

#### PLANING MILLS.

For a quarter of a century Henry C. Baldwin has conducted a steam saw and planing mill south of Barnard street and east of Walnut. It is stocked with fine machinery and is worth as an entire plant about \$20,000. In this establishment has been prepared the work for many of the most prominent and substantial buildings in town.

Stephen C. Black has for a dozen years conducted a similar plant north of Chestnut street and west of Church. It is worth about \$20,000. During its time it has furnished much of the woodwork for public and private buildings.

#### WEST CHESTER KNITTING FACTORY.

For several years a factory operated by the West Chester Knitting Company has been running on North Walnut street, with occasional stops on account of business troubles. At present it appears to be doing well under the ownership of C. Wesley

Talbot, Esq. About 30 hands are at work, and the amount of money invested approaches \$25,000.

#### DENNY TAG FACTORY.

One of the industries of the town, which enjoys a singular prosperity, is the Denny Tag Company, having its home in the old school building on West Barnard street. For some time the business was conducted with indifferent success, but for the past ten years the management has been more careful and the stock sells at double its par value and pays an annual dividend of 10 per cent. The plant and machinery are worth \$15,000. Samuel O. Barber is the Superintendent.

#### WEST CHESTER DAIRY.

In 1882 Edward Brinton, now of the firm of Brinton & Worth, established the West Chester Dairy. He purchased the lot of land at the southwest corner of Washington and Church streets of the estate of John Rutter, and erected a building thereon. Mr. Brinton afterward sold to Henry Talbot, who in turn sold to J. & J. Darlington, the present owners. Ziba C. Martin is now the manager, having held that position with success for about ten years. The amount of milk received from the farmers is about 7,500 pounds a day, and a large quantity additional is accepted at a branch plant at Sugartown. The product is butter, which finds a good market in West Chester, Philadelphia and elsewhere; cream, which is sold largely to manufacturers of ice cream, and dry curds, which are used in the making of paint, sizing, etc.

#### THE EMBREE BUTTER WORKER.

For many years Pierson Embree conducted a factory at the southwest corner of Barnard and Matlack streets, where he made a patent butter worker. This machine is in use in every creamery



in this section, and the style has held its own steadily against all competitors. Mr. Embree recently sold to John Hoopes & Son.

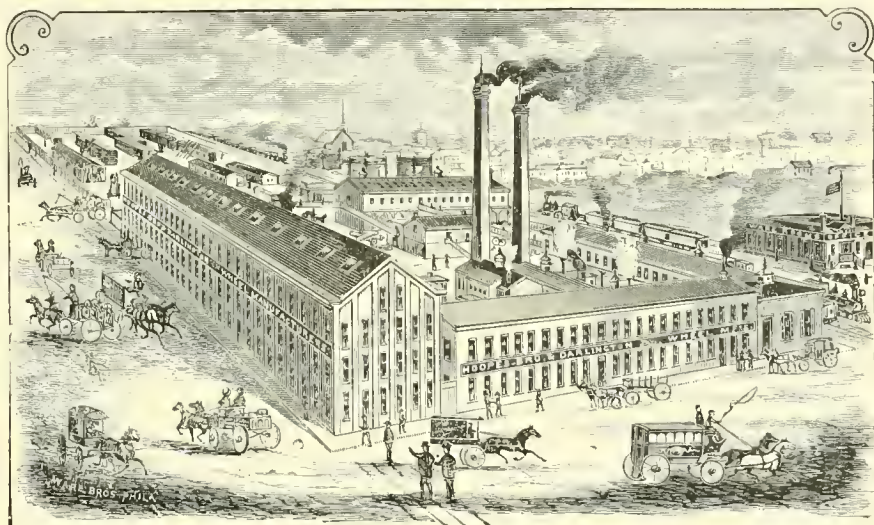
#### COLD STORAGE AND ICE COMPANY.

The West Chester Cold Storage and Ice Company was organized in 1890, and during that year it erected a plant at the corner of Union and Franklin streets. Every season it has made improvements, and the trade has grown steadily. The plant is worth \$55,000, and 5,000 tons of ice are made annually. Carload orders are shipped to many towns in this section of the State. Fred Heed is manager.

#### OTHER INDUSTRIES.

West Chester has for a long time had two brick-yards, one conducted by A. D. Sharples and the other by Colonel Henry R. Guss; also a number of carriage factories, bakeries, blacksmith shops, wheelwright shops and other industries which are of minor importance in the number of men employed, but which count for much in the comforts and convenience of the people who make this their home.

A new shirt factory is now being established on West Barnard street, in the mill formerly occupied by the Brandywine Knitting Company.



WEST CHESTER WHEEL WORKS.

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Hoopes, Bro. & Darlington have an important industry in West Chester, the manufacture of hickory and oak vehicle wheels, in all desirable sizes and styles, from the three-quarter inch spoke bicycle wagon wheel, weighing three or four pounds, to four inch spoke wheels, weighing one thousand pounds a set.



The business was begun in 1836, by William and Thomas Hoopes, who manufactured spokes from Chester county hickory at a small plant on their farm one mile northwest of West Chester. In 1867 they moved into West Chester and established in the present location, at the corner of Market street and the Pennsylvania Railroad. There a frame building with brick and stone foundations was built, and part of the power and room was rented to others. In 1868 the manufacture of hickory bent rims and shafts was undertaken. The business expanded, and in 1872, in compliance with the growing demand, a brick factory sixty-two by forty feet was built, at the corner of Market and Franklin streets, and the manufacture of wheels was begun. This building increased in 1881 by an addition of the same size, and in 1883 it was again doubled. Since that year other buildings have been erected, occupy-

ing all sides and the centre of the square of ground originally built on. The next square of ground has been nearly covered by substantial tin roofed sheds, used for the storage of rough wheel material until it has become dry enough to be in the best condition for further treatment. This year, in response to urgent demands for more drying room, a brick building one hundred and forty-six by fifty feet, three stories high, is being put up, extending west from Franklin street, just south of Miner street.

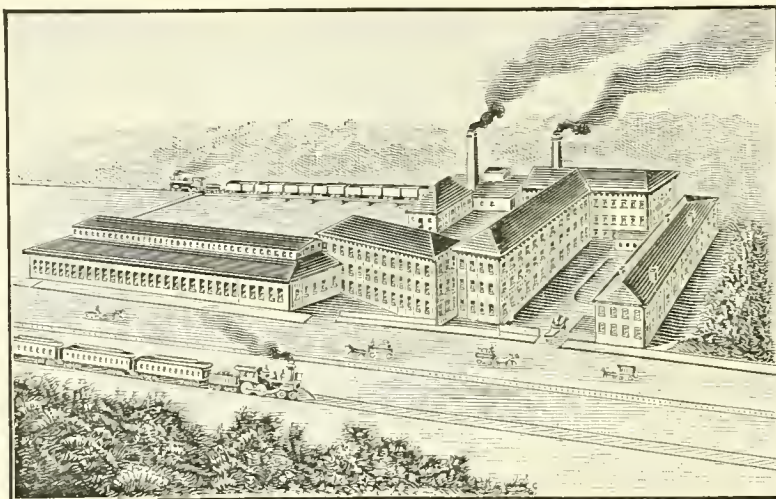
After thirty-three years William and Thomas Hoopes are still active in the business and with Edward S. Darlington, constitute the firm of Hoopes, Bro. & Darlington.

When the business was begun Chester county was supposed to be as far south as good hickory could be found, and the inception of the business was largely due to the presence in Chester county of a man from Connecticut, buying timber. He had come to see if any hickory could be found to take the place of the Connecticut timber, which was then getting to be a little scarce. Further experience on the part of Hoopes, Bro. & Darlington has shown that good hickory and oak timber may be found in many parts of the United States, the selection of the trees in the woods being the important matter, though not more so than the proper drying and fitting of the material and the careful construction of the wheels.

The firm now employs about two hundred and twenty-five men, three-fourths of them in West Chester. They have made between five and six hundreds thousand sets of wheel since 1872, and the annual output is now about thirty-five thousand sets. There are no better workmen anywhere than in West Chester and that the quality of their work, under direction of the firm and their efficient assistants, is appreciated, may be known by the demand from all quarters of the globe. A builder, generally thought to make the best buggies in America, buys wheels, for the limited number of wagons he makes, in West Chester, and so do chief builders of fire engines in the country, as well as many

other makers of fine work. The firm make four qualities of wheels, and use the same care in the construction of all, the difference being in the quality of the timber.

The increase in the manufacture of automobiles throughout the country brings a new feature into the business, and gives full scope to the firm's energies in adapting their wheels to the demand for the new vehicle. The indications are that this will be a large and growing trade, and one that will appreciate the quality and workmanship of West Chester wheels. The past years of business have been successful ones, and the prospects are good for the future.



SHARPLES SEPARATOR WORKS.

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April 1st, 1881, P. M. Sharples opened up the old foundry and machine shop at the corner of Washington and Walnut streets, formerly occupied by Thomas Baird, and now used as a stocking manufactory. For a year he carried on a general machine business there and then moved into the shop now occupied by the Edison Electric Light Company.

About six months later, his attention was directed to a machine called a Centrifugal Cream Separator, used by the Darlings for extracting cream from new milk by centrifugal force. He investigated the apparatus and decided to enter upon its manufacture. The apparatus was of Swedish invention and was controlled by a New York Company. Arrangements were perfected with this company, and Mr. Sharples and a large concern at Middletown, New York, both started to produce separators.

The machines turned out of the West Chester factory, because of the great care taken in their construction, soon, however, proved their superiority as compared to those from Middletown and Mr. Sharples was given exclusive right to build them.

About a year later the business was moved back to the first location.

The basement and foundry of this building was remodelled and the machinery of both shops installed therein with the single idea of separator construction. This place, however, soon proved too small and in 1889 the Altorffer property on Patton avenue was purchased and the erection of shops commenced.

Mr. Sharples continued the manufacture of this style of separator for about eight years and during that time, in addition to manufacturing all of the machines of that kind used in the United States, retailed about one-half of the separators of this make sold in the United States.

He then decided to place a separator bearing his own name on the market.

Having a wide trade from West Chester and a flourishing branch at Elgin, Ill., the Sharples machines were soon in general use. As the business grew, new shops were needed and scarcely a year has passed since then that has not seen material additions to both the buildings and equipments until to-day West Chester has within her limits the largest and best equipped cream separator manufactory in the world.

A trip through the works will reveal long rows of the most expensive machinery, much of it design-

ed especially for use in making particular parts of separators and operated by those long trained in the business.

So perfect is the organization and so accurate the work that the inspectors throw out all pieces varying over one thousandth of an inch from the correct size. Careful tests are made of all material, to determine its strength and suitability for the work it will have to do and large quantities of the most expensive steels are frequently sent back to producers because they do not come up to the very high stand-

Iowa, and San Francisco, Cal. Also a house in Australia. Their regular traveling men reach South America and Africa, as well as all parts of Europe. The machines have taken first prizes at all international exhibitions recently held in this country and abroad.

Does this inflow of money into West Chester benefit West Chester's merchants and tradesmen? Let them figure it out for themselves. We are going to get more industries like it. The best inducement to others is to encourage those we have.



HOOPES, BRO. & THOMAS' NURSERIES

ard contracted for. Such care, united with untiring energy and business ability can have but one result.

The writer remembers when the entire force in the machine shop numbered but three men—now nearly one hundred and fifty expert machinists are employed, besides numerous painters, carpenters, foundrymen, laborers, etc. Then the weekly expenses amounted to about fifty dollars—now over five thousand dollars must be hunted up each week to keep things going and much of this finds its way again into the hands of West Chester merchants. Not so long ago one hundred and fifty separators were considered a good year's out-put. Last year there were made and sold about thirty-seven hundred.

Then no advertising was done; now over \$20,000 per year is spent in newspaper advertising alone.

Then only one traveling salesman was employed, and he not regularly; now over one hundred traveling men are extending the virtues of the Sharples Separators and they find a market in all dairy countries of both the old and new world. Branches controlled directly from the West Chester office are maintained at Toledo, Ohio; Chicago, Ill.; Dubuque,

## NURSERIES AND GREENHOUSES.

A Large Industry which Encourages the Love of the Beautiful.

**T**HE nurseries and green houses of West Chester and vicinity are well worth seeing. This is in the heart of a country where the beautiful in landscape and garden is appreciated, and much attention is given to fruit and ornamental trees, and such plants as may be raised under glass or in the open air.

During the spring and fall thousands of orders are filled, and many earloads of stock from the nurseries may be seen in progress of shipment from this point.

The oldest industry of this sort is the Morris Nursery, now owned by George Achelis. It was established in 1819, the trade previous to that time having been rather local in its character, and in the hands of Paschall Morris and John Rutter. J. Lacey Darlington & Co. were the proprietors of the new enterprise, the firm afterward changing to Otto &



MORRIS NURSERIES.

Achelis, and in 1875 Mr. Achelis succeeded to the ownership. The agricultural warehouse, at the corner of Chestnut and High streets, now occupied by Bennett & Lear, was built in 1851. Mr. Achelis now has 200 acres of ground under cultivation about 200 square feet being under glass, and he employs a large number of men.

In 1855 another nursery was established by Josiah Hoopes, and it is still conducted by this gentleman, his brother, Abner, and George B. Thomas, under the firm name of Hoopes, Brother & Thomas. They have 600 acres of land under cultivation, extending far out into the township of West Goshen, and their home grounds are a model of beauty, the section near the offices being improved with flowers and ornamental shrubs like a spacious lawn. A large space, also, about 10,000 square feet, is under glass. An idea of the general magnitude of their trade may be gained by those familiar with such work, by the fact that every season 600,000 young peach trees are budded, and that the number of other young fruit trees in stock every year is 150,000 apples, 50,000 pears, 40,000 plums and 50,000 cherries, not mentioning the ornamental trees and shrubs.

The oldest floral establishment in the borough is on South High street, where the green houses owned and conducted by Joseph Kift & Sons have been a landmark since 1852. Mr. Kift, the senior member of the firm, began at a time when the demand for flowers and flowering plants was limited, and the attention and effort of the proprietor were mainly directed toward the growing of vegetables

and vegetable plants. From one green house, heated by common brick flues, and filled with a few common bedding plants, and a few sashes for cold frames, to fifteen large up-to-date green houses heated by two fifty-horse-power boilers, filled with the choicest cut flowers and tropical plants, the establishment has grown steadily. The glass covers a space of 15,000 to 18,000 square feet.

In 1866, Michael Clark, who for eleven years had been foreman for John Rutter, in green houses where the creamery now is, bought two lots on East Market street and established his present business. Mr. Clark has about 8,000 feet of glass, and raises choice flowers and plants. The fact that the property was a swamp when he purchased it, and that it is now a mass of blooming beauty all through the year, is sufficient evidence that the owner and his assistants have not been idle.

In addition to these professional men of trees and flowers, there are several who specialize in a semi-professional or amateur way on kindred lines. James H. Bull, the veteran barrister who formerly was District Attorney, has large houses where grapes are raised under glass. At the old Trimble property, South High street and Normal avenue, there are other houses of the same kind, owned by David M. McFarland. Dr. W. K. Thorp, Thomas C. Hogue, William J. Hopewell and others raise large quantities of grapes for their families and their friends every season, taking off the fruit in the late fall and early winter.

The lawns of the town are models of beauty.

# WHERE WOMEN REIGN.

## Organizations in Which the Fair Sex Have Exclusive Power.

NOT alone upon her men does West Chester depend for intelligent, liberal, public-spirited citizens. Among the women of the town are many who are well-known for their talents in various directions and for bright minds which are constantly alive to the needs and interests of the town.

### THE NEW CENTURY CLUB.

Of the various women's organizations which are a part of West Chester's social make-up, the New Century Club is probably entitled to first place. It is composed of more than 100 women who believe that culture should go hand in hand with philanthropy, and who have greatly at heart the interests of the borough, as well as of their own organization.

In February of this year the club celebrated its fifth anniversary. The banquet which marked the event was one of the intellect as well as of the appetite. It was attended and enjoyed by many guests from sister clubs, and by a full representation of the home membership. This occasion was in strong contrast with the little body of kindred spirits who met five years before to talk over the possibility or practicability of forming such a Club.

In the first annual report, Miss Hannah A. Marshall, at that time Recording Secretary, describes this initial meeting:

"In the early part of February, 1894, Mrs. James Monaghan invited Miss Elizabeth Black and Miss Hannah A. Marshall to meet at her house to consult together as to the advisability of organizing a New Century Club in West Chester. Mrs. J. T. Rothrock was invited and kindly consented to join them.

"After many suggestions and plans, it was decided to ask some fifty women to meet at the home of Mrs. Monaghan, on the afternoon of February 28th, 1894, to consider the idea of organizing a New Century Club. At this meeting the following named women from the Club in Wilmington were present to offer us their good wishes for our success, and to tell us of the plan by which they had builded their excellent Club: Mrs. Charles Miller, Mrs. Alfred D. Warner, Mrs. Clement Smythe, Miss Alice Smythe, Miss Mary Mather, Mrs. Elizabeth McCauley, Mrs. James Bailey and Miss Jessie Thomas."

At this meeting Mrs. Richard Darlington was called to the chair and Miss Hannah A. Marshall was chosen Secretary. The first Executive Board meeting was held March 10th, when the following ladies were chosen officers:

Mrs. Richard Darlington, President; Mrs. J. T. Rothrock and Mrs. John R. Gilpin, Vice Presidents; Miss Susan Gorgas, Treasurer; Miss Elizabeth Black, Corresponding Secretary, and Miss Hannah A. Marshall, Recording Secretary.

The result at the end of the first year was a club numbering 250 members, who had enjoyed excellent lecture courses, had been benefited by French, German, dressmaking or physical culture classes and

had taken active interest in weekly discussions of Current Events.

Since that time the club has gone on prosperously in essentially the same course, although various departments and classes have been added, or abandoned as the case seemed to demand.

As in most new departures the Club for a time was exceedingly popular, but as years went by the membership came down to those vitally interested in the welfare of the organization and desirous of the culture to be gained through it. The



REV. DR. WILLIAM E. MOORE.

officers and directors have looked upon the past year as one of the most truly prosperous.

Mrs. Richard Darlington, the First President, was succeeded, after two years in office, by Miss Hannah A. Marshall. She in turn was followed by Mrs. William P. Sharpless, who for the past two years has wielded the gavel. Upon her resignation last April, Mrs. Wallace P. Dick was elected to the office. Other members of the board are:

Vice Presidents, Mrs. W. W. MacE'ree, Mrs. P. M. Sharpless; Treasurer, Mrs. William S. Kirk; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Emily H. Jones; Recording Secretary, Miss Sara R. Pa'iste; Directors, Mrs. John R. Gilpin, Mrs. Edwin Atlee Barber, Mrs. Benjamin W. Haines, Mrs. George B. Johnson, Mrs. S. C. Schmucker, Mrs. C. B. Cochran, Mrs. J. M. Maul (Whitford), Miss Sara P. Bedford, Mrs. J. Carroll Hayes.

Since its organization the Club has held its meetings and many of its social functions in Library Hall, although on several occasions the homes of officers or members have been thrown open for receptions or teas. With the growing assurance of permanency, however, there has been also a growing desire for an established home. Last winter the matter of purchasing or building a suitable club house was given very serious consideration and while the undertaking could not be carried out at that time it is hoped by the majority of the Club that the near future may see a pretty, convenient substantial building, which they may call their own.

The Club will hold its first meeting for the present season on Monday, October 16th, when forces will be rallied for a new and profitable year.

#### CHILDREN'S AID.

Of the benevolent societies which flourish in this day and generation, few do so much good as the Children's Aid Society. By its efforts the little waifs and strays of humanity, who would be forced to grow up in the demoralizing companionship of the tramps and ne'er-do-wells, who sojourn at the County Home, are placed with respectable, careful families, where they receive training which in many cases seems to counteract the legacy of crime and weakness which their parents have bequeathed them. The Chester County Society is a very flourishing one and the West Chester Branch among the most flourishing. At its head is Mrs. Hannah Savery, who presides over the business meetings which are held at the homes of the members each month.

#### DAUGHTERS OF THE REVOLUTION.

Patriotic daughters of loyal sires are numerous in Chester county as in every other part of the Union, but those who can trace their descent direct-

ly to the men who helped to free their country from the tyranny of a foreign power, are especially proud to be known as Americans.

In that prominent organization, "The Daughters of the Revolution," these blue blooded women are entitled to membership and as a rule they are glad to avail themselves of the privilege.

The Chester County Chapter was organized about five years ago and has always had its headquarters in West Chester. Mrs. Abner Hoopes was the first Regent, and she has been succeeded by Mrs. John F. Logan, whose summer home is here. The meetings are held bi-monthly, often in West Chester, where a large proportion of the members reside.

At present there are about sixty names enrolled. The officers of the current year are:

Regent, Mrs. John P. Logan; Vice Regent, Mrs. J. T. Rothrock; Registrar, Miss Hannah A. Marshall; Treasurer, Mrs. Lissie M. Cobb; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Charles R. Palmer; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Genevieve Zane; Historian, Miss Mary I. Stille; Board of Managers, Mrs. Henry C. Pennypacker, Phoenixville; Mrs. J. Gibbon McIlvain, Downingtown; Mrs. William M. Hayes, Mrs. Sarah K. Ruth, Mrs. Guss, West Chester.

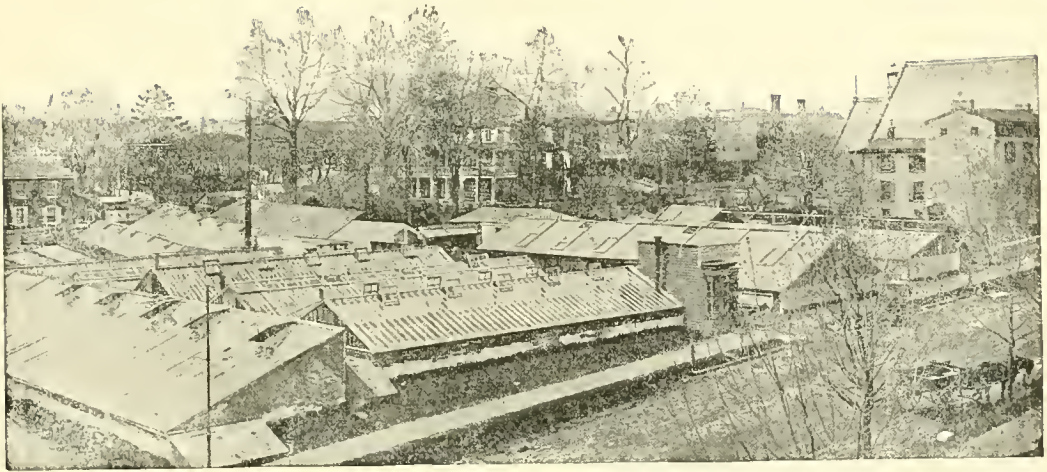
#### LADIES OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

The Ladies of the Golden Eagle have a flourishing Lodge here, organized two years ago. Like other Orders of this type, it is a beneficial organization and as such does great good in the community. Its meetings are held in the rooms of the Knights of the Golden Eagle, in the Assembly Building. Its officers at this writing are:

Past Templar, Mrs. David McKissick; Noble Templar, Mrs. Annie Pyle; Vice Templar, Miss Jane Thomas; Guardian of Records, Mrs. Virginia Hawley; Guardian of Finance, Mrs. Mary J. Smith; Guardian of Exchequer, Mrs. Jessie M. Dicks; Marshal of Ceremonies, Mrs. William King; Priestess, Miss Emma LaPort; Prophetess, Miss Ella French; Outside Portal, Mrs. Emma Alexander; Inside Portal, Miss Louisa Kliber.



FRIENDS' SCHOOL, NORTH CHURCH STREET.



GREENHOUSES OF JOSEPH KIFT &amp; SONS.

### SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART.

The "Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary" is the title of one of the prominent organizations of the Roman Catholic Church. It is a teaching Order and the Convent of Villa Maria, on Maple avenue, is the Mother House. Here the novices are received and pass their two years of probation, and here they take the vows which bind them to a life of devotion and self-sacrifice.

During the summer the Convent shelters at times as many as two hundred Sisters, who come to pass their season of "retreat" here.

At other times there are forty or fifty nuns and novices busy in the work of teaching, preparing to teach or attending to the many duties of this large household. The Convent supplies teachers, not only for the Young Ladies' Seminary, conducted in the building, but also for the boarding school for young boys, near by, and for St. Agnes' parochial school, on West Gay street.

The Sisterhood is a busy one and a glance into the earnest, peaceful faces beneath the black veils is enough to assure anyone that the lives spent at Villa Maria are happy.

### EQUAL SUFFRAGE.

Woman's right to the ballot is one of the questions which in this day and generation receives more or less attention. That West Chester is not wholly indifferent to this attitude of public sentiment is proved by the existence here of a Society in which news of the work done by Suffragists is heard with interest, and in which matters tending to broaden the views of the members and make them more conversant with the laws and government of our country, are discussed. For several years a branch of the "Chester County Equal Suffrage Association" has flourished in West Chester, its officers being as follows:

President, Mrs. Anna M. Hood; Vice President, Mrs. Lavinia C. Hoopes; Secretary, Miss Mary Darlington; Treasurer, Mrs. Rachel H. Hayes; Auditor, Miss R. Anna Darlington; Executive Committee, Miss M. Jennie Speakman, Miss Alice Lewis, Mrs. S. Tudor Fergus, Miss Mary Darlington, Miss Lizzie A. Thomas.

### WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

When the Woman's Christian Temperance Union began its crusade local organizations sprang up throughout the country. West Chester was not behind in this matter and a thriving Union was soon organized. When the split came the Society here, like those of other sections, was divided and the result has been the establishment of two prosperous temperance organizations. The W. C. T. U. rents a room, No. 119 West Market street, where its regular meetings are held. Its officers, as chosen at the annual election held in August, are:

President, Miss Alice Lewis; Secretary, Mrs. George F. Brinton; Treasurer, M. S. L. M. Cobb; Vice Presidents, representing the different churches, as follows: First Presbyterian, Mrs. W. R. Laird; Westminster Presbyterian, Mrs. J. N. Huston; Holy Trinity, Mrs. Jane Kift; Methodist Episcopal, Mrs. Vance; First Baptist, Mrs. Elizabeth Cooper; Olivet Baptist, M. S. J. H. Chambers; St. Agnes' Catholic, Mrs. Patrick Corcoran; Chestnut Street Friends, Mrs. Abbie Rhoads; High Street Friends, Mrs. Charles H. Pennypacker.

The following are the department superintendents:

Scientific Instruction, Mrs. R. Jones Patrick, assisted by Miss Martha A. Buchanan; Legislative Work, Mrs. Caroline Cardwell; Social Purity, Mrs. Alice Cudlipp, assisted by M. S. Louisa E. Caldwell and Miss Mary I. Stille; Press Work, Miss Martha A. Buchanan; Evangelistic Work, Miss Susan Shipley.

### WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE LEAGUE.

The Woman's Christian Temperance League is a worthy daughter of the pioneer society. In West Chester the members find a special line of work in the evangelistic services which are held at the County Prison on one Sunday of each month. Mrs. William T. Haines has for a number of years been at the head of this department. At present the work of the Society is conducted under the able Chairmanship of Mrs. Rachel L. Price; Mrs. Marian Preston Lewis, West Washington street, is Secretary, and Mrs. Mary Evans Scott, South Church street, Treasurer. The departments are under the direction of the following ladies: Jail Work (Evan-

gelistic), Mrs. Wm. T. Haines; Literature, Mrs. William C. Grubb; Educational, Mrs. Richard Darlington; Flower and Ice Mission, Miss Anna R. Hoopes. Mrs. Hannah Sharpless has resigned her position as Press Superintendent and her successor has not, at this writing, been appointed.

Meetings are held on the fourth Monday evening of each month at the homes of the members. A year ago the State organization was invited to hold its annual Convention here this autumn, and to the gratification of the local Society, accepted the proffer of the town's hospitality.

Work among the young people is organized in the State Normal School, where a flourishing "Y" exists under the Presidency of Mrs. G. M. Phillips.

#### DAUGHTERS OF REBEKAH.

The wives and daughters of Odd Fellows are banded together here in a well organized Florentina Lodge of Daughters of Rebecca. Last spring the tenth anniversary of this organization was celebrated and on that occasion the Lodge was for the first time draped in mourning for a departed sister. The members express a hope that the next decade may be as free from sadness.

The roll of officers for the present year shows the following names:

Noble Grand, Mrs. John W. Ramsey; Right Supporter, Mrs. Milton A. Watson; Left Supporter, Mrs. Lafayette Pyle; Vice Grand, Mrs. John Malin; Right Supporter, Mrs. David McKissick; Left Supporter, Mrs. Alice Smith; Secretary, Mrs. William H. Gray; Assistant Secretary, Mrs. Howard Sharpe; Treasurer, Mrs. Phebe A. Hoopes; Warden, Mrs. Walter Downs; Con-

ductor, Mrs. Isaac G. Alexander; Inside Guard, Miss Lizzie Jenkins; Outside Guard, William H. Gray; Chaplain, Mrs. Harry Enns; Organist, Mrs. Howard Hawley.

#### DAUGHTERS OF LIBERTY.

West Chester Council, No. 45, is another of the flourishing organizations of women. Its officers are:

Councilor, Mrs. Ella Manley; Associate Councilor, Eber Foster; Vice Councilor, Mrs. Ella Tompkins; Associate Vice Councilor, Clara Pugh; Recording Secretary, Emma Whymann; Associate Secretary, Mrs. J. Morton Keech; Financial Secretary, Laura M. Keech; Treasurer, Mrs. Nellie Gravelle; Guide, Mary Burne; Inside Guard, Elvira Musser; Outside Guard, Walter Cox, Jr.; Executive Councilor, Ida M. Pugh; Assistant, Emma Foster; Representative to State Council, Mrs. Mary R. Cotton; Alternate, Lizzie L. Clouser; Trustees, J. Jackson Black and Eber Foster.

#### COLORED ORGANIZATIONS.

Star of the West Tent, No. 6, meets every fourth Thursday of the month. Its officers are:

President, Olivia Boyer; Vice-President, Anna Cummings; Mistress of Ceremonies, Anna Atkins; Conductress, Rachel Durnell; Mistress of Wardrobe, Matilda Coggin; Treasurer, Mrs. Martha Clements; Secretary, Kate Wheaton; Financial Secretary, Jennie Kane.

Anna Juvenile Tent, No. 3, is under control of Tent No. 6. It is composed of young girls of the Order, and meets on the afternoon of each fourth Saturday.

Orpheus Court of Calanthe, No. 5, meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Officers:

W. C., Mrs. Emma Harman; W. A. C., Mrs. Harriet Smith; W. R. of Accounts, Mrs. Esther Curry; W. R. D., Mrs. Abiah Jackson; Herald, Harry Berry; Associate, Bertha O. Steen; W. G., Mrs. Hannah Spriggs.



ELECTRIC LIGHT WORKS.



# CENTENNIAL DEMONSTRATION.

## Plans Laid for Celebrating the Borough's One Hundredth Birthday

**T**HE Burgess of the Borough, assisted by nearly a score of active committees, was at work on plans for a general celebration of the town's Centennial, six months prior to the event. This programme was outlined, the details to be filled in by those in charge of the various departments:

**Wednesday, October 11—Educational Day.** Exercises by the school children in the Assembly Building; oration by Hon. Charlton T. Lewis, of New York; poem by Prof. J. Russell Hayes, of Swarthmore College; historical address, by Gilbert Cope, of West Chester.

**Thursday, October 12—Civic Day.** Parade of military and civic organizations, display of floats, etc.

**Friday, October 13—Firemen's Day.** Parade and other demonstrations by the firemen of the borough and invited guests.

Those chosen to assist the Burgess, C. Wesley Talbot, in making arrangements and in carrying out the plans, were as follows:

**BADGES**—Capt. Thomas W. Taylor; Dr. H. F. Freeman, Howard Hawley, James Ennis, Frank P. Thomas.

**CIVIC PARADE**—Lewis C. Moses, chairman, John A. Rupert, J. Geary Stroud, John C. Heed, Frank W. James, Rodman Apple, A. B. Roecker, B. G. Strickland, David M. Golder, William Mullin, David M. McFarland, E. Dallett Hemphill, Charles B. Lear, Jr., Albert P. Hall, J. Herbert Mullin, O. F. Groff, Harry G. Smith, John P. Woodward, Robert O. Jefferis, Max Meyer, Jr., J. L. Meredith, Jr., John F. McBride, F. S. Hickman, Dr. S. A. Mullin, A. B. Hammond, George E. Kane, J. Jackson Black, Ariel C. Cotton, Michael J. Murphy, L. G. McCauley, Abraham Wanger, Esq., John A. Pyle, William H. Gray, George B. McCormick.

**DECORATIONS**—Fred Heed, Chairman, St. Julien Ogier, Harry S. Johnson, Howard Heston, Fulton Beatty, William C. Williams, Edward Brinton, Allen Reagan, Herman J. Smith, Abner Sparks, John C. Heed, Joseph Clouser, C. Edwin Smith, E. Rosenberg, A. Martin Darlington, Joseph N. Marshall.

**EDUCATIONAL**—Addison L. Jones, Chairman, Rev. Joseph S. Evans, Thomas W. Baldwin, Esq., Thomas T. Smith, Dr. Elwood Patrick, William Dowlin, Walter H. Lewis, Dr. G. M. Phillips, Rev. S. B. Spalding, Professor Frank P. Eye, Walter L. Phillips, Miss Anna M. McLearn, Miss M. G. Townsend, Prof. Frank H. Green, Mrs. Mary K. Schreiner-Smith, William Barrett, Elizabeth Pennell, Frances Darlington, E. L. McKinstry.

**ELECTRICAL DISPLAY**—James E. Pyle, Chairman, S. B. Ladd, William P. Lear, Prof. C. B. Cochran, Chas. B. Lear, Jr., Max Meyer, Jr., Edwin F. Taylor, Arthur Hoopes.

**ENTERTAINMENT**—Robert O. Jefferis, Chairman.

**FINANCE**—I. Cary Carver, Chairman, Thomas Cheyney, Jacob Farra, J. E. Entriken, John Thorp, James Finn, J. H. Mercer, R. L. Hayes, Ed. E. Shields, Barclay Lear, Geo. Heed, Esau Loomis, Thos. Finegan, W. J. Corcoran, Richard G. Park, John J. Gheen, Jno. R. Everhart, R. O. Jefferis, John A. Rupert.

**FIREMEN'S PARADE**—Hon. Plummer E. Jefferis, Chairman.

**West Chester Fire Company, No. 1**—J. F. E. Hause, Howard Hawley, W. W. Woodward, A. M. Holding, W. T. Hamm, Frank B. Rupert, H. G. Smith, I. Lawrence, N. R. Rambo, B. G. Strickland, A. B. Roecker, T. W. Taylor, Tevis Mercer, Clark Griffith, Ed. Dawson, Ed. McFadden.

**Good Will Company, No. 2**—L. B. King, H. C. Reagan, Allen Reagan, Edwin Leedom, Geo. Townsend, Winfield Rice, William Jones, Chris Beckman, Howard Heston, John Hazzard, Joseph Clouser, Harry Glisson, James Finn, Clarence Miles, William Middleton, William Rodeback.

**Fame Fire Company, No. 3**—L. C. Moses, Fred Heed, A. M. Eachus, W. J. Ramsey, Harvey Gibson, William C. Temple, J. Temple Hoopes, Walter Frame, William Corcoran, Harry S. Johnson, H. P. Worth, Rodman Apple, James S. Carey, H. F. Temple, Fred Lewis, Jefferson Shaner.

**INDUSTRIAL COMMITTEE**—P. M. Sharples, Chairman, Charles R. Hoopes, Edward Brinton, S. O. Barber, George W. Taft, Kennett Square; Wilmer W. Hoopes, Ziba C. Martin, Elmer Bobb, Stephen C. Black, J. Edson Shallcross.

**INVITATION AND RECEPTION**—G. M. Phillips, Chairman, Hon. William Butler, Thos. W. Baldwin, Joseph H. Baldwin, Hon. Thos. S. Butler, Hon. William Butler, Jr., R. T. Cornwell, William Dowlin, T. L. Eyre, Dr. John R. Everhart, Rev. Jos. S. Evans, John J. Gheen, Dr. Jesse C. Green, Col. Henry R. Guss, Albert P. Hall, J. F. E. Hause, William M. Hayes, Hon. Jos. Hemphill, Thomas Hoopes, Dr. Percy C. Hoskins, Hon. P. E. Jefferis, Geo. B. Johnson, H. R. Kervey, W. W. MacElree, Samuel Marshall, Thos. W. Marshall, D. M. McFarland, Thos. H. Montgomery, Dr. S. A. Mullin, Michael J. Murphy, Arthur T. Parke, John J. Pinkerton, Dr. Elwood Patrick, Thomas W. Pierce, Dr. Jacob Price, Samuel D. Ramsey, Alfred P. Reid, Evans Rogers, Dr. J. T. Rothrock, John A. Rupert, Prof. D. M. Sencuig, A. D. Sharples, Wm. P. Sharpless, Dr. W. T. Sharpless, Geo. B. Thomas, W. S. Windle, Dr. C. E. Woodward, Herbert P. Worth, and the following ladies: Mrs. George Achelis, Mrs. Richard Darlington, Mrs. Wallace P. Dick, Mrs. J. R. Gilpin, Miss Susan Gorgas, Mrs. Abner Hoopes, Mrs. Francis Jacobs, Mrs. John P. Logan, Mrs. Richard G. Park, Miss M. G. Townsend, together with the Burgess, the members of the Borough Council and the Chairmen of all committees as members ex-officio.

**LITERARY EXERCISES**—Captain R. T. Cornwell, Chairman.

**MILITARY**—Major L. G. McCauley, Chairman.

**MUSEUM**—H. Rush Kervey, Chairman. Philip P. Sharples, Alfred Sharpless, W. W. Joffris, Edwin A. Barber, Samuel Marshall, Mrs. E. Dallett Hemphill, Joseph Thompson, Edward Paxson, Jerome B. Gray.

**MUSIC**—Joseph T. Murtagh, Chairman. John G. Moses, Miss Mary Knowlton.

**PRINTING AND ADVERTISING**—Wilmer W. Thomson, Chairman. H. Rush Kervey, James B. Fisher, Horace F. Temple, F. S. Hickman.

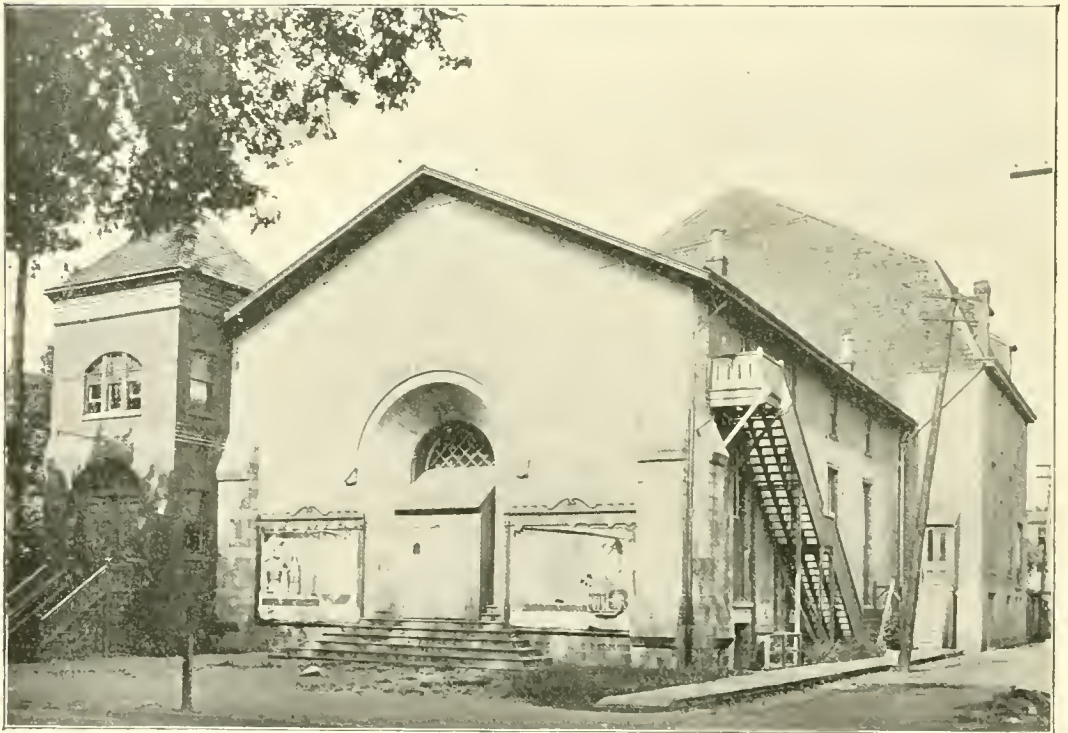
**PROGRAMME**—Marshall S. Way, Chairman. Prof. Frank H. Green, H. Rush Kervey, J. Frank E. Hause, Esq., Edward E. Shields.

**SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS**—I. Roberts Comfort, Chairman. Jos. T. Price, Jas. S. Carey, Geo. F. Field, Jno. P. Woodward, Arthur Hoopes, Nathan Rambo, B. G. Strickland, Wm. B. Smith,

Chas. C. Roberts, Jonathan C. Hare, Harry Paiste, Maurice Pratt, Jno. Warren, D. T. Sharpless, Chas. B. Lear, Jr., Geo. E. Kane, Edw. F. Taylor, Edward S. Paxson, George S. Zane, Frank Heed, Hilborn Cope, Frank P. Patton, J. G. Stroud, George B. McCormick, Jno. Francis.

**TRADES DISPLAY**—Frank P. Darlington, Chairman. J. C. Hare, J. Herbert Mullin, Geo. Achelis, M. A. Biehn, M. J. Murphy, J. H. Kelly, H. M. Hillegass, F. H. Gheen, H. P. Worth, James Spence, P. H. Everding, J. L. Kugel, Geo. F. Field, F. P. Rogers, Geo. Fahnestock, John Thorp, Geo. W. Kearney, Ernest White, Jason D. Broomall, A. M. Keys, Howard Fitzsimmons, Max Meyer, Jos. Kift, Jr., W. W. Heed, F. S. Hickman, Chas. T. McFarland.

**TRANSPORTATION**—William A. McMichael, Chairman. Charlton D. Laek, Edmund H. Brown, W. M. Hayes, J. W. Andrews.



OPERA HOUSE—OLD HORTICULTURAL HALL.

# West Chester Directory.

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 Achelis, Jenny T., 16 W. Chestnut.  
 Acker, Ella, 322 N. High.  
 Acker, John, 322 N. High St.  
 Adams Express Co., W. C. Johnson, Agt., 2 E. Market.  
 Adams, Harry, painter, 131 Magnolia St.  
 Adams, Mrs. C. A., 206 W. Miner.  
 Adams, Jas., barber, 128 W. Market.  
 Ahern, Mrs. Ann, dom., 128 N. Ch'h.  
 Ahern, Edward, printer, 318 W. Gay.  
 Ahern, John, telegraph operator, 318 W. Gay.  
 Ahern, Margaret, clerk, 318 W. Gay.  
 Ahern, Mrs. Mary, 318 W. Gay.  
 Aitken, Mrs. Abbie, nurse, 57 S. High.  
 Aitken, Benton W., 129 W. Market.  
 Aitken, Dr. H. W., 129 W. Market.  
 Aitken, T. Benton, Aitken & Sergeant, 20 N. High; h., 129 W. Market.  
 AKINS, Levi, laborer, 421 S. Matlack.  
 Aldred, Bertha L., 113 W. Chestnut.  
 Aldred, Henry C., teamster, 113 W. Chestnut.  
 Aldred, Laura, typewriter, 19 S. High.  
 Aldred, S. J., 113 W. Chestnut.  
 Aldine House, permanent and transient boarders, 113 W. Market.  
 Alexander, Isaac G., collector, 233 W. Union.  
 Alexander, John, lab., 128 W. Union.  
 Alexander, John, lineman, 320 W. Washington.  
 Alexander, Wm. D., mechanic, 126 S. Darlington.  
 Allan, Mrs. Lizzie J., dressmaker, 202 W. Gay.  
 Allen, Geo., farmer, 361 E. Biddle.  
 Allison, Bessie J., dressmaker, 117 W. Chestnut.  
 Allison, Joseph F., 204 Sharpless.  
 Ammon, Harry, machinist, 133 Lacey.  
 Anderson, Anita, 321 W. Gay.  
 Anderson, Benj., farmer, N. New, N. of Ashbridge.  
 Anderson, Henry, farmer, 36 N. New.  
 Anderson, Granville W., barber, 329 Hannum Ave.  
 Anderson, Hilbert L., laborer, N. New, N. of Ashbridge.  
 Anderson, J. M., dressmaker, 30 W. Gay.  
 Anderson, James T., coachman, 319 S. Matlack.  
 Anderson, Jas., barber, 12 W. Market; h., 321 W. Gay.  
 Anderson, John, barber, 321 W. Gay.  
 Anderson, Perry, laborer, 348 Hannum Ave.  
 Anderson, Prof. Robert, instructor, State Normal School.  
 Anderson, Rachel, 109 S. Worthington.  
 Anderson, Thomas, hostler, 129 W. Barnard.  
 Anderson, Wilmer II., laborer, 425 N. New.  
 Andrews, Chas. II., express driver, 300 Dean.  
 Andrews, J. W., Supt. Elec. Ry., 513 S. High.  
 Andrews, Mary Ann, 300 Dean.  
 Annex Cigar Store, Henry R. Guss, 31 1/2 W. Market.  
 Apple, Geo. R., 123 E. Gay.  
 Apple, L. W., Turk's Head Hotel, N. E. cor. High and Market.  
**APPLE PLUMBING AND HEATING CO.**, 114-116 E. Gay.  
 Apple, R. H., Turk's Head Hotel, N. E. cor. High and Market.  
 Archer, H. Taylor, mechanic, 220 W. Fayette.

Archer, Martha M., 416 Hannum Ave.  
 Archer, Mary, 416 Hannum Ave.  
 Areson, Anna S., hosier, 123 W. Chestnut.  
 Areson, Chas. II., tinsmith, 123 W. Chestnut.  
 Areson, Mrs. Eliza P., 123 W. Chestnut.  
 Areson, John I., hosier, 123 W. Chestnut.  
 Areson, Phebe G., 123 W. Chestnut.  
 Arment, Charles C., mechanic, 529 S. Matlack.  
 Armet, Geo., driver, 140 W. Market.  
 Armour, Aldus, laborer, 236 W. Market.  
 Arnold, Rev. Francis E., 605 S. High.  
 Arnold, Francis, Jr., 605 S. High.  
 Ash, Ethel V., 443 S. High.  
 Ash, Louis P., stationery and school supplies, also operator Western Union Telegraph, 17 E. Gay; h., 443 S. High.  
 Ashbridge, Geo. D., 332 W. Miner.  
 Assembly Building, public amusements and offices, N. High.  
 Atkins, John A., 120 S. Darlington.  
 Atlantic Refining Co., oil, Niels and Bolmar, Horace B. Davis.  
 Auge, Sarah D., 25 S. High.  
**B**ABB, David E., lab., 223 S. Darlington.  
 Babb, Naomi, clerk, 224 W. Barnard.  
 Badigan, Margaret, domestic, 203 W. Miner.  
 Bable, Minnie, domestic, 419 Dean.  
 Bailey, Anna E., 108 E. Washington.  
 Bailey, Mrs. B. F., 237 Dean.  
 Bailey, Benjamin, 237 Dean.  
 Bailey, Rev. Benj. F., clergyman, 115 E. Barnard.  
 Bailey, Clara E., 400 W. Miner.  
 Bailey, Clara, 432 E. Gay.  
 Bailey, Edgar L., 400 W. Miner.  
 Bailey, Edgar R., 218 W. Barnard.  
 Bailey, Mrs. Edith, laundress, 305 S. Matlack.  
 Bailey, Elizabeth, 316 S. Walnut.  
 Bailey, Elizabeth, 237 Dean.  
 Bailey, Ella J., 108 E. Washington.  
 Bailey, Florence M., 124 Magnolia.  
 Bailey, Frank D., plumber, 20 S. New.  
 Bailey, Geo. J., 400 W. Miner.  
 Bailey, Helen J., 331 W. Union.  
 Bailey, Henry L., fish dealer, 143 W. Gay; h., 123 W. Chestnut.  
 Bailey, Isaac H., coal and feed, Sec. and Treas. West Chester Brick Co., 13 E. Chestnut; h., 327 S. Walnut.  
 Bailey, James B., foreman, 400 W. Miner.  
 Bailey, Lydia, student, 131 Magnolia.  
 Bailey, Mrs. Phebe S., 218 W. Barnard.  
 Bailev, Richard J., overseer, 134 Magnolia.  
 Bailev, Wm. E., printer, 108 E. Washington.  
 Bailv, Lillian, student in music, 337 S. Walnut.  
 Bailv, Mrs. Rebecca W., 316 S. Walnut.  
 Baird, Caroline, Virginia Ave.  
 Baird, Lydia, Virginia Ave.  
 Baird, Mrs. Thomas, Virginia Ave.  
 Baird, Wm., lawyer, Virginia Ave.  
 Baker, Eber E., 26 S. Walnut.  
 Baker, Enos, Separator Works hand, 331 W. Union.  
 Baker, Mrs. J. L., 111 S. Church.  
 Baker, Jimima M., 117 E. Barnard.  
 Baker, Lucetta, 12 N. Matlack.  
 Baker, Lulu, teacher, 37 S. High.  
 Baker, Mary L., 117 E. Barnard.  
 Baker, Marion R., 129 S. New.

Baker, Mrs. Olivia L., 120 S. New.  
 Baker, Mrs. Rebecca E., 26 S. Wal't.  
 Baker, Wm., 37 S. High.  
 Baker, Mrs. Wm., 37 S. High.  
 Baldwin, Cloyd R., carpenter, 537 S. Matlack.  
 Baldwin, Eli H., 315 S. High.  
 Baldwin, Elsie M., 315 S. High.  
 Baldwin, Mrs. Elizabeth, 125 S. Darlington.  
 Baldwin, Fred J., machinist, 435 S. Walnut.  
 Baldwin, Geo., bricklayer, 21 E. Chestnut.  
 Baldwin, Henry C., Henry C. Baldwin & Son, rear of 207 S. Walnut; h., 207 S. Walnut.  
 Baldwin, Henry C. & Son, steam planing mill, rear of 207 S. Walnut.  
 Baldwin, Herbert C., 207 S. Walnut.  
 Baldwin, Harriet, teacher, S. N. S.  
 Baldwin, Jos. H., att'y, 5 S. High; h., Mansion House.  
 Baldwin, J. Willard, electrician, 125 S. Darlington.  
 Baldwin, Mary F., 125 S. Darlington.  
 Baldwin, Mrs. M. A., 312 W. Miner.  
 Baldwin, Sarah, 115 E. Chestnut.  
 Baldwin, Thos. W., lawyer, 34 W. Market; h., 207 W. Gay.  
 Baldwin, Mrs. Wm. R., 315 S. High.  
 Baldwin, Warren C., electrician, 135 W. Biddle.  
 Baldwin, Mrs. Wm. J., 125 E. Chestnut.  
 Baley, Geo., W. F. b., 618 S. Matlack.  
 Bane, Abel, machinist, 112 E. Barnard.  
**BANK FIRST NATIONAL OF WEST CHESTER**, F. W. Wolterton, cashier, 5 N. High.  
**BANK FARMERS' NATIONAL OF WEST CHESTER**, William Dowlin, cashier, High and Market.  
**BANK NATIONAL OF CHESTER CO.**, J. Cary Carver, cashier, 15-17 N. High.  
**BANK THE DIME SAVINGS, JOHN A. RUPERT, CASIHER**, High St. and Court House Alley.  
 Bannan, Kate, 108 E. Miner.  
 Bannan, Wm. S., bartender, 108 E. Miner.  
 Barber, Edwin Atlee, broker, 236 E. Biddle.  
 Barber, Ezekiel, yarns and knit goods, 112 W. Gay.  
 Barber, Harry C., student, 610 S. Walnut.  
 Barber, Linda II., teacher, 610 S. Walnut.  
 Barber, Louisa A., 236 E. Biddle.  
 Barber, M. E., yarns and knit goods, 112 W. Gay; h., 114 W. Gay.  
 Barber, S. LeRoy, student, 610 S. Walnut.  
 Barber, Samuel O., Supt. Tag Factory, 610 S. Walnut.  
 Barbour, Marion S., plasterer, 134 W. Biddle.  
 Barclay Home, The, 11 W. Chestnut.  
 Barde, Eliza, 326 W. Miner.  
 Barley, Sarah, W. Miner, near limits.  
 Barker, Daniel, 112 E. Biddle.  
 Barnard, C. Norman, 3 W. Biddle.  
 Barnard, Virginia, 405 N. Walnut.  
 Barnes, Chas. E., brakeman, 131 E. Union.  
 Barnes, Fred, 225 W. Chestnut.  
 Barnes, Harry P., Separator Works, 131 E. Union.  
 Barnes, Jos. G., fireman, 601 S. Walnut.  
 Barnes, Mattie, 25 E. Washington.

- Barnes, Mattie L., 131 E. Union.  
 Barnes, Ralph G., Supt. local agents, 225 W. Chestnut.  
 Barnett, Anna A., 25 S. High.  
 Barr, George, insurance, Turk's Head Hotel.  
 Bartholomew, Wm., expressman, 134 Nields.  
 Bartram, Lillian, Assistant Matron, Friends' Boarding Home.  
 Earrett, Eliza A., 10 S. Church.  
 Barrett, Hannah, 503 S. Church.  
 Barrett, Mrs. Harry, 259 E. Chestnut.  
 Barrett, John F., spoke mill hand, 503 S. Church.  
 Barrett, Louis S., waiter, 345 Hannum Ave.  
 Barrett, Mary E., 140 W. Market.  
 Barrett, Stella M., 10 S. Church.  
 Barrett, Wm. M., bakery and confectionery, 12 S. Church; h., 10 S. Church.  
 Barrett, Wm., printer, 503 S. Church.  
 Barry, Alfred, U. S. Army, 220 Lacey.  
 Barry, Edward, merchant, 341 S. Matlack.  
 Barry, Ella, 341 S. Matlack.  
 Barry, James L., laborer, 22 S. New.  
 Barry, John F., printer, 220 Lacey.  
 Barry, John G., conductor, 325 S. Matlack.  
 Barry, Nora A., 121 W. Fayette.  
 Barry, Mary, 341 S. Matlack.  
 Barry, P. J., lab., 220 Lacey.  
 Bassett, John G., collector, 209 W. Union.  
 Bateman, E. Brooke, 119 W. Barn'd.  
 Bateman, Geo., book keeper, 119 W. Barnard.  
 Bates, Clyde A., drug clerk, 135 Magnolia.  
 Bates, Mrs. Grace, 437 Nields.  
 Battin, Amy, 115 E. Biddle.  
 Battin, Archie J., marble cutter, 122 E. Market.  
 Battin, Cloud B., 114 N. Darlington.  
 Battin, Elsie, 137 E. Gay.  
 Battin, Howard, carp., 137 E. Gay.  
 Battin, Jane G., widow, 229 W. Chestnut.  
 Battin, Jos. T., policeman, 222 E. Market.  
 Battin, Lavinia, 115 E. Biddle.  
 Battin, Mary, 137 E. Gay.  
 Battin, Marshall, bricklayer, 120 N. Darlington.  
 Battin, Maud, dressmaker, 402 E. Gay.  
 Battin, Nina, dressmaker, 137 E. Gay.  
 Bating, Phebe A., 124 S. Church.  
 Bating, Maggie, 19 S. Church.  
 Baxter, Geo. J., 206 W. Gay.  
 Baxter, Hannah S., 206 W. Gay.  
 Baxter, Mrs. S. J., 206 W. Gay.  
 Beatty, Margaret M., 313 S. High.  
 Beatty, Mrs. S. C., 313 S. High.  
 Beatty, Wm. J., tailor, 40 W. Gay; h., 323 W. Gay.  
 Beaudoin, J. R., foreman Steam Laundry, 316 Dean.  
 Beaumont, Davis, clerk, 128 E. Barnard.  
 Beaumont, Emma, assistant house-keeper, Chester Co. Hospital.  
 Beaumont, Harry T., clerk, 128 E. Barnard.  
 Beaumont, Horace O., spoke maker, W. Miner (near limits).  
 Beaumont, Jacob K., printer, 203 W. Biddle.  
 Beaumont, Jas. W., blacksmith, W. Miner, near limits.  
 Beaumont, Lizzie C., 128 E. Barn'd.  
 Beaumont, Theo. B., 128 E. Barnard.  
 Beaumont, Wm., turner, 211 W. Market.  
 Bechtel Helen N., 406 N. Church.  
 Beck, Mrs. Joseph, 225 W. Miner.  
 Beck, M. C. M., 138 E. Washington.  
 Beckett, Mrs. Emma, 206 E. Union.  
 Beckett, George, coachman, 423 E. Miner.  
 Beckett, Wm. H., nurse 115 E. Miner.  
 Beckett, Wm., waiter, 211 Evans.  
 Bedford, Miss Sallie, Ass't Librarian, 323 W. Union.  
 Beebe, Esmont, lab., 247 Dean.  
 Beebe, Holding, clerk, Phila., 247 Dean.  
 Beebe, Israel P., 247 Dean.  
 Bekman, Chris., clerk, 141 E. Gay.  
 Bell, Abbie A., domestic, Penn and Washington.  
 Bell, Mrs. Anna, laundress, 128 Price's Ave.  
 Bell, Estella, dress maker, 400 E. Barnard.  
 Bell, Eugene, brick maker, 400 E. Barnard.  
 Bell, Franklin, brick maker, 400 E. Barnard.  
 Bell, James A., brickmaker, 333 E. Miner.  
 Bell, Jonathan, brick maker, 400 E. Barnard.  
 Bell, Joseph W., 447 N. Walnut.  
 Bell, Joseph, 257 W. Gay.  
 Bell, Martha, 107 E. Biddle.  
 Bell, Rebecca, widow, 102 E. Biddle.  
 Bell, Samuel, brick maker, 303 S. Adams.  
 Bell, Sarah T., dressmaker, 257 W. Gay.  
 Bell, Tacey R., 447 N. Walnut.  
 Bell, Thomasine M., 226 W. Market.  
 Benckendorf, Herman, confectioner, 124 W. Chestnut.  
 Bennett & Lear, T. E. Bennett and Charles B. Lear, 137-139 N. High.  
 Bennett, Chas., salesman, 22 N. Walnut.  
 Bennett, G. S., letter carrier, 303 W. Union.  
 Bennett, Mary J., 110 W. Market.  
 Berry, Geo. L., grocer, 324 E. Miner.  
 Berry, Wm. L., laborer, 6 N. Wayne.  
 Bidden, Geo. L., hub turner, 324 S. Darlington.  
 Bidden, Lewis, 122 S. Walnut.  
 Bidden, Wm., spoke works, 127 E. Barnard.  
 Biehn, Harry, 31 W. Gay.  
 Biehn, M. A., boots and shoes, 33 W. Gay; h., 31 W. Gay.  
 Biehn, Nellie, 31 W. Gay.  
 Biers, Mary, 246 E. Gay.  
 Biles, Albert I., photographer, 323 S. Darlington.  
 Binder, Bertha, clerk, 319 W. Union.  
 Bingham, E. D., att'y., 19 W. Union.  
 Bird, Wm. W., sexton, 14 S. New.  
 Bishop, David T., Turk's Head.  
 Bishop, Winfield S., 13 N. Walnut.  
 Bishop, Wm., painter, 117 S. New.  
 Bittle, Ed. D., separator works, 7 N. Matlack.  
 Black, Carleton C., mechanic, 227 N. New.  
 Black, Mrs. Catherine, 345 W. Miner.  
 Black, Clara M., 217 N. New.  
 Black, Elizabeth, 345 W. Miner.  
 Black, Geo. A., carpenter, 228 W. Washington.  
 Black, George, salesman, 228 W. Washington.  
 Black, Howard A., clerk, 141 E. Gay.  
 Black, J. Jackson, millman, 217 N. New.  
 Black, M. Lillian, 222 N. Church.  
 Black, Mrs. Martha, 222 N. Church.  
 Black, Mrs. Rebecca, 231 W. Washington.  
 Black, S. Alfred, mechanic, 227 N. New.  
 Black, S. C., steam planing mill, rear of 222 N. Church; h., 222 N. Church.  
 Bleam, John A., clerk, 33 W. Gay.  
 Bleam, Lottie, 230 N. Darlington.  
 Elerkin, Frank, stu. 520 S. Darl'g't'n.  
 Blenkin, Geo., florist, 520 S. Darlington.  
 Blenkin, Geo., Jr., florist, 520 S. Darlington.  
 Blenkin, William, soldier, 520 S. Darlington.  
 Block A., 247 Hannum Ave.  
 Blundy, Martha, laundrywoman, 13 S. Adams.  
 Boardley, Amanda A., 402 E. Barn'd.  
 Boardley, Rev. Chas. W., clergyman, 112 S. Bolmar.  
 Boardley, Edward B., watchman, 402 E. Barnard.  
 Boardley, Ella, 302 E. Market.  
 Boardley, Emma, 302 E. Market.  
 Boardley, Geo., barber, 302 E. Market.  
 Boardley, Jas., tailor, 337 S. Adams.  
 Boardley, Henry, laborer, 302 E. Market.  
 Boardley, Jas. O., tailor, 402 E. Barnard.  
 Boardley, John M., barber, 402 E. Barnard.  
 Boardley, John, barber, 216 Magnolia.  
 Boardley, Laura, 302 E. Market.  
 Boardley, Stephen, barber, 302 E. Market.  
 Bobb, Elmer J., clerk, 230 Price.  
 Bobb, Francis E., 230 Price.  
 Bobb, Frank, 230 Price.  
 Bogle, Elizabeth S., 132 E. Chestnut.  
 Bogle, Elizabeth T., 132 E. Chestnut.  
 Bogle, Jean H., 132 E. Chestnut.  
 Bogle, Mary A., 132 E. Chestnut.  
 Bogle, Sarah M., 132 E. Chestnut.  
 Bolden, Alice, 323 S. Adams.  
 Bolden, Clara, domes., 3 N. Matlack.  
 Bolden, Emmarene, widow, 624 E. Miner.  
 Bolman, Mrs. Catharine, 338 W. Miner.  
 Bond, Oscar, 317 Hannum Ave.  
 Bongsall, Albert, railroad office, Phila., 139 Price.  
 Bongsall, Miss Mary, 23 Price.  
 Bongsall, Mrs. Mary, Mint, Phila., 110 Price.  
 Bongsall, Miss Sarah, 23 Price.  
 Booz, Edward T., insurance agent, 118 W. Chestnut.  
 Booz, Eva R., seamstress, 118 W. Chestnut.  
 Booz, Ella J., 118 W. Chestnut.  
 BOSTON CLOTHING HOUSE, SIMON GRANT, 40 W. Gay.  
 Bougey, Mrs. Tillie, 300 W. Market.  
 Bowen, Mrs. Frank, boarding house, 21 E. Miner.  
 Bowen, J. Frank, 21 E. Miner.  
 Bowen, Wm., 516 S. Matlack.  
 Bowers, John, bartender, 126 W. Chestnut.  
 Bowers, Susan, 112 S. Church.  
 Bowman, Clara V., 402 W. Barnard.  
 Bowman, Cassius C., lab., 127 W. Barnard.  
 Bowman, David B., druggist, 241 Dean.  
 Bowman, Horace O., wheel works, 116 W. Union.  
 Bowman, John, 325 Hannum Ave.  
 Bowman, Sarah R., artist, 203 W. Chestnut.  
 Boyce, Henry, brickmaker, 313 S. Adams.  
 Boyce, Jos., laborer, 313 S. Adams.  
 Boyd, Mrs. Annie, 410 E. Miner.  
 Boyd, Helen, domes., 410 E. Miner.  
 Boyer, Eli, brickm'kr, 315 E. Barn'd.  
 Boyer, John, laborer, 315 E. Barn'd.  
 Boyer, Sylvester, laborer, 322 W. Chestnut.  
 Boyer, Mrs. T. H., dom., 148 E. Gay.  
 Boylen, Wm. F., laborer, 607 S. Walnut.  
 Boyles, Jesse M., engineer, 323 S. Darlington.  
 Boyles, Eugene M., milkman, 203 W. Biddle.  
 Brady, Jas., conductor, 218 E. Gay.  
 Brannan, Ellen, domes., 14 W. Gay.  
 Brannan, Hannah, 341 Hannum Ave.  
 Brannan, Jas. H., laborer, 341 Hannum Ave.  
 Brannan, Maggie, 341 Hannum Ave.  
 Brannan, Wm. P., laborer, 341 Hannum Ave.  
 Brannin, John, laborer, 231 W. Barnard.  
 Brannin, Mary, domes., 418 N. High.  
 Branson, Horace G., salesman, 10 E. Barnard.  
 Bray, Wm., laborer, 526 S. Franklin.  
 Brien, Bartholomew, farmer, 127 S. Darlington.  
 Brice, Samuel, lab., 201 S. Adams.  
 Brick, Timothy S., grocer, 35 E. Biddle, W. of New.  
 Bringhurst, Dr. Jos., 20 S. Church.  
 Brinton & Worth, carriage and agricultural warehouses, 296 N. Ch'b.  
 Brinton, Caroline H., saleslady, 131 W. Gay; h., 20 W. Chestnut.

- Brinton, Bessie A., 10 S. High.  
 Brinton, Christiana, widow George, 217 S. Church.  
 Brinton, Mrs. Deborah G., 403 N. Walnut.  
 Brinton, Edward, Brinton & Worth, N. Church; h., 329 N. High.  
 Brinton, Esie M., 10 S. High.  
 Brinton, Frances Helen, 128 W. Gay.  
 Brinton, Geo. F., builder and contractor, 428 Dean.  
 Brinton, Geo. F., Penn and Washington.  
 Brinton, Harry, mechanic, 215 W. Fayette.  
 Brinton, Joseph, 320 N. High.  
 Brinton, Lydia, 319 S. Church.  
 Brinton, Mrs. Mary E., 10 S. High.  
 Brinton, Sibylla, 31 S. Church.  
 Brinton, Taylor, West End Bazaar, cor. Gay and New; h., 320 W. Miner.  
 Brogan, Mrs., 222 S. Matlack.  
 Brooke & Son, J. S., carriage builders, 120 E. Market.  
 Brooke, Ida B., school teacher, 131 W. Market.  
 Brooke, Jennie E., 131 W. Market.  
 Brooke, John H., carriage builder, 131 W. Market.  
 Brooke, Linda M., school teacher, 131 W. Market.  
 Brooke, Margaret S., school teacher, 131 W. Market.  
 Brooke, Wm. A., carriage works, 120-122 E. Market; h., 25 Dean.  
 Brooks, Frances A., Virginia Ave.  
 Brooks, Jas. C., manuf., Virginia Ave.  
 Brooks, Macy, stu., Virginia Ave.  
 Brooks, Wm. P., saddler, 210 Ship'sess.  
 Broomall, Abraham, car., 424 Dean.  
 Broomall, Allan D., linotype machinist, Daily Local News, 322 N. Darlington.  
 Broomall, Annie S., 220 E. Gay.  
 Broomall, Atwood J., painter, 229 S. Matlack.  
 Broomall, Chas. N., spoke mill hand, 4 N. Matlack.  
 Broomall, Clar. W., far., 220 E. Gay.  
 Broomall, Elizabeth B., 220 E. Gay.  
 Broomall, E. Maie, Friends' School Building, N. High.  
 Broomall, Hannah M., milliner, 34 E. Market.  
 Broomall, Harry, conductor, 211 W. Markt.  
 Broomall, Henry, pattern-maker, Friends' School Building, N. High.  
 Broomall, J. Howard, mach., 216 S. Walnut.  
 Broomall, Jacob, spoke mill hand, 4 N. Matlack.  
 Broomall, Jason D., paper hanger, 34 E. Market.  
 Broomall, May T., 424 Dean.  
 Broomall, Mrs. S. C., grocer, 15 S. Franklin.  
 Broomall, Susanna, 220 E. Gay.  
 Broomall, Walter D., mach., 15 S. Franklin.  
 Broomall, Wm. G., spoke mill hand, 424 Dean.  
 Brosius, Geo., lab., 344 Hannum Ave.  
 Brosius, Wm., blacksmith, 344 Hannum Ave.  
 Brown, Anna, 123 E. Miner.  
 Brown, Arabella, 417 S. Franklin.  
 Brown, Mrs. Caroline L., cook, 211 W. Fayette.  
 Brown, Chas. T., student, 317 S. Walnut.  
 Brown, Clara M., 411 N. Walnut.  
 Brown, Dolphine, 412 Hannum Ave.  
 Brown, Ed. H., engine'r, 627 S. Walt.  
 Brown, Edwin S., lab., 732 S. Mat'lk.  
 Brown, Estelle F., domes., 211 W. Fayette.  
 Brown, J. Franklin, printer, 221 N. Darlington.  
 Brown, Frances, clerk, 221 N. Darlington.  
 Brown, Mrs. Harriet H., S. High (Trimble Nurseries).  
 Brown, Jacob, lab., 100 Poplar.  
 Brown, Jennie, laundress, 307 S. Matlack.  
 Brown, Jesse, coachm., 311 E. Miner.  
 BROWN, JOHN W., restaurant, 42 E. Market; h., 40 E. Market.  
 Brown, Jos. H., engine'r, 632 S. Mat'lk.  
 Brown, L. J., grocer, 601 S. Mat'lk.  
 Brown, Lilley, 317 S. Walnut.  
 Brown, Mabel E., 329 N. High.  
 Brown, Mahlon, spoke mill hand, 11  
 Brown, Mrs. Mary E., 336 E. Miner.  
 N. Matlack.  
 Brown, Moses, mechanic, 320 W. Chestnut.  
 Brown, Norris L., machinist, 601 S. Matlack.  
 Brown, Prince A., paper hanger, 114 W. Chestnut.  
 Brown, Robert, spoke inspector, 121 E. Barnard.  
 Brown, Rose, 117 S. Church.  
 Brown, Sadie, 400 E. Miner.  
 Brown, Sadie, domes., 412 W. Miner.  
 Brown, Samuel, lab., 417 S. Adams.  
 Brown, Mrs. Susan C., 221 N. Darlington.  
 Brown, Thos. B., banker, 113 N. High; h., 317 S. Walnut.  
 Brown, W. Burt, bar., 22 N. Walt.  
 Brown, Wm. H., lab., 349 W. Barn'd.  
 Brosius, Geo., marble cutter, 330 W. Washington.  
 Brueck, Philip, Brueck's Shaving Parlor, 31 W. Market.  
 Bruner, Wm., tailor, 220 Nields.  
 Bryan, Hettie, 30 E. Gay.  
 Duckalew, Howard, brakeman, 302 Nields.  
 Buckwalter, Brinton, stu., 229 S. High.  
 Buckwalter, Mrs. Henry B., 229 S. High.  
 Budd, Geo. B., painter, 322 W. Washington.  
 Buffington, Jos. H., 315 Dean.  
 Bugless, Clement D., gardener, 415 S. Matlack.  
 Bugless, Mary L., nurse, 214 S. Ch'h  
 Bull, Annie J., 424 N. High  
 Bull, Goold H., Prof. of Marine Engineering, Webb's Academy, Fordham Heights, N. Y.; h., 424 N. High.  
 Bull, Mrs. H. Elizabeth, 311 S. New.  
 Bull, J. Henry, Lieut. U. S. N., 424 N. High.  
 Bull, James H., att'y, 424 N. High.  
 Bullock, Mrs. Alice, nurse, 323 W. Gay.  
 Bullock, Edith, nurse, Nurses' Home, N. Matlack.  
 Bullock, J. H., wh-elwright and blacksmith, Gay and New; h., 314 W. Gay.  
 Bullock, Martha, 323 W. Gay.  
 Bullock, Rachel G., student, 116 E. Washington.  
 Burnham, Ella C., 143 E. Marshall.  
 Burk, James J., Separator Works  
 Burkenstock, Francis, spoke tu ner, 220 W. Gay.  
 Burnett, Francis R., clerk, 136 Lacey.  
 Burnett, Mae, operator, 136 Lacey.  
 Burnett, Josiah, freight agent, 136 Lacey.  
 Burnham, Smith, teacher, 143 E. Marshall.  
 Burns, Anna J., 114 E. Barnard.  
 Burns, Alonza, brick maker, 122 E. Union.  
 Burns, Anna, 213 W. Chestnut.  
 Burns, Chas. H., Great Oyster House, 31 W. Gay.  
 Burns, Chester M., carp., 213 W. Chestnut.  
 Burns, Charles, carp., 317 Dean.  
 Burns, Harry M., con., 17 S. Walnut.  
 Burns, Harry, mech., 301 N. Darl'n.  
 Burns, Jas. A., driver, 204 W. Barn'd.  
 Burns, John D., 417 W. Market.  
 Burns, John, fireman, 204 W. Barn'd.  
 Burns, Jes., car., 206 W. Chestnut.  
 Burns, Mame, clerk, 204 W. Barn'd.  
 Burns, Mary, 317 Dean.  
 Burns, Mary E., 114 E. Barnard.  
 Burns, Mary F., domes., 608 S. High.  
 Burns, Mary E., 213 W. Ch'sput.  
 Burns, Mary E., grocer, 239 N. Darlington.  
 Burns, Mrs. Sarah J., 17 S. Walnut.  
 Burns, Sidney, 317 Dean.  
 Burns, Wm. H., contractor and builder, 213 W. Chestnut.  
 Burns, Wm., stu., 317 Dean.  
 Burrige, G. Thos., paint., 113 N. New.  
 Burrige, Mabel F., 113 N. New.  
 Burrige, Minnie E., 113 N. New.  
 Burten, Ida M., 506 E. Miner.  
 Burten, Wm. E., brick maker, 506 E. Miner.  
 Burton, Cliff, lab., 215 W. Fayette.  
 Burton, Albin C., ice cream maker, 416 E. Miner.  
 Burton, Gertrude, dom., 329 N. High.  
 hand, 210 N. Franklin.  
 Burton, Jas., waiter, 329 S. Adams.  
 Burton, Jos., mech., 215 W. Fayette.  
 Burton, M. B., dom., 215 W. Fayette.  
 Burton, Wm., lab., 343 E. Miner.  
 Burton, Wm. E., lab., 219 N. New.  
 Butcher, John, lab., 424 Poplar.  
 Butcher, R. Bert, lab., 310 E. Union.  
 Butcher, Samuel, lab., E. Union, cor. R. R. track.  
 Butcher, Sarah, dom., 120 W. M ner.  
 Butler, Anna, 228 W. Miner.  
 Butler, Anne C., 418 N. High.  
 Butler, Carrie T., 418 N. High.  
 Butler, Rev. C. L., pastor 2d Pres. Ch., 13 W. Barnard.  
 Butler, Geo. D., 404 W. Union.  
 Butler, George W., 433 S. Adams.  
 Butler, Mary, 625 E. Miner.  
 Butler, Thos. S., M. C. Butler & Windle, 228 W. Miner.  
 Butler, Miss Sarah, 338 W. Miner.  
 Butler, Samuel, 228 W. Miner.  
 Butler, Lieut. Smedley, U. S. Marine Service, 228 W. Miner.  
 Butler & Windle, att'ys, T. S. Butler and Wm. S. Windle, 4 W. Market.  
 Butler, Judge Wm., 418 N. High.  
 Butler, Judge Wm., Jr., 418 N. High.  
 Butler, Wm., insurance agent, 431 Nields.  
 Buxton, Frank, janitor, 321 W. Biddle.  
 Buxton, Wm., engine'r, 33 E. Miner.  
 Buzzard, Calvin, 610 S. Church.  
 Byard, Eliza A., 410 Hannum Ave.  
 Bye, Frank P., instructor, Darlington Seminary, E. Bradford.  
 Bye, Gibbon, lab., 506 S. F. Franklin.  
 Bye, Isaac, waiter, 506 S. Franklin.  
 Byers, Mrs. Margaret, 135 W. Barn'd.
- CADSBURY**, Lydia C., 400 N. Ch'h.  
 Cain, Hannah A., 145 E. Gay.  
 Cain, Mrs. Bridget, 125 W. Biddle.  
 Cain, Elizabeth D., 31 E. Wash ton.  
 Cain, Hannah, 145 E. Gay.  
 Cain, Wm., hostler, 102 Poplar.  
 Cain, Zachariah, 301 E. Marshall.  
 Caldwell, Josephine, 312 W. M'n'r.  
 Caldwell, Mrs. Louisa E., dress maker, 126 W. Gay.  
 Campbell, Anna S., clerk, 301 S. Church.  
 Campbell, Chas. H., boot and shoe store, 23 N. Church; h., 301 S. Church.  
 Campbell, Eleanor, 9 W. Chestnut.  
 Campbell, Mrs. Eva, 122 Lacey.  
 Campbell, Florence, 122 Lacey.  
 Campbell, Geo. A., bakery, 136 E. Gay.  
 Campbell, Lucy P., clerk, 301 S. Church.  
 Campbell, Nellie A., teacher, 122 Lacey.  
 Cannon, Annie, dom., 311 E. Biddle.  
 Cannon, David, 121 Magnolia.  
 Cannon, John, engine'r, 118 M'gnolia.  
 Canning, Robt. J., garl., 218 Pine.  
 Cardwell, Geo. G., 35 S. High.  
 Cardwell, Mrs. Geo. G., 35 S. High.  
 Cardwell, Robt. H., 35 S. High.  
 Carey, Mrs. Eliza, 618 S. Church.  
 Carey, Jas. S., reporter, Daily Local News, 529 S. Walnut.  
 Carey, John, Jr., sashmaker, 541 S. Matlack.  
 Carey, John L., carp., 695 S. Ch'h.  
 Carey, John, Sr., 200 E. Linden.  
 Carey, Lizzie K., 626 S. Church.  
 Carey, Robert, carp., 502 Nields.  
 Carey, Robt. E., tinsmith, 626 S. Church.  
 Carey, Robt. J., mach., 626 S. Ch'h.  
 Carey, Wm. E., wood turner, 500  
 Carey, Wm. J., salesman, 676 S. Ch'h  
 Carbart, V. L., Matron Nurses' Home, Chester Co. Hospital.

- Carpenter, Mrs. Martha, 40 S. High.  
 Carroll, Mrs. Bridget, 226 W. Market.  
 Carroll, Frank W., painter, 226 W. Market.  
 Carroll, Katie, 226 W. Market.  
 Carter, Burrell S., barber, 18 S. Wal't.  
 Carter, Joseph B., 124 E. Chestnut.  
 Carter, J. Herbert, bank clerk, 124 E. Chestnut.  
 Carter, Wm. E., driver, 22 W. Barn'd.  
 Carver, Miss A. C., 504 S. High.  
 Carver, Geo. W., 504 S. High.  
 Carver, I. Cary, cashier Ches. Co. Nat. Bank, 5 W. Biddle.  
 Carver, Mary E., 504 S. High.  
 Carver, Mrs. Sallie E., 301 S. New.  
 Casey, James, 345 W. Gay.  
 Casey, Mrs. Jas., 345 W. Gay.  
 Casey, Lizzie, dom., 403 N. Church.  
 Casey, Mary, laundress, 345 W. Gay.  
 Casey, Wm., lab., 315 W. Gay.  
 Cashman, Margaret G., 400 S. Ch'h.  
 Cashman, Timothy, lab., 513 S. New.  
 Cassidy, Mrs. Mary, 137 E. Union.  
 Castiamala, John, fruiterer, 116 S. Darlington.  
 Catanach, Dr. N. G., 112 S. Church; h., 114 S. Church.  
 Cavanaugh, Ella, laundress, 388 Nields.  
 Cavanaugh, John, nurseryman, 388 Nields.  
 Cavanaugh, Mary, 388 Nields.  
 Cavanaugh, Matthew, 388 Nields.  
 Cavanaugh, Thos., engine man, 388 Nields.  
 Central Shoe Store, C. H. Campbell, 23 N. Church.  
 Chalfant, Wm. Jr., Receiver Ches. Co. G. T. & S. D. Co., 13 N. High; h., 506 N. Church.  
 Chambers, Annie M., 303 N. High.  
 Chambers, Evelyn, clerk, 22 S. Ch'h.  
 Chambers, Helen M., 314 W. Union.  
 Chambers, Isaac, coachman, 308 E. Miner.  
 Chambers, Rev. J. H., pastor Olivet Baptist Ch., 314 W. Union.  
 Chambers, Lucien, 14 S. Matlack.  
 Chambers, Mary E., 314 W. Union.  
 Chambers, Martha J., 303 N. High.  
 Chambers, Mrs. Rebecca H., Barclay Home.  
 Chambers, R. Lawrence, tinner, 116 S. New.  
 Chamberlain, Cheyney, cabinet maker, 13 E. Miner.  
 Chamberlain, Clarence J., 13 E. Miner.  
 Chamberlain, Walter C., stu., 13 E. Miner.  
 Chamberlain Hannah J., 328 W. Miner.  
 Chandler, Bertha D., dress maker, 232 N. Darlington.  
 Chandler, Florence L., 232 N. Darlington.  
 Chandler, Gertrude, 107 S. Church.  
 Chandler, Harry, clerk, 124 Nields.  
 Chandler, Jesse, creameryman, 122 W. Washington.  
 Chandler, Marshall P., mach., 232 N. Darlington.  
 Chandler, Walter M., lab., 232 N. Darlington.  
 Channell, Elizabeth G., 227 N. High.  
 Channell, Oliver B., salesman, 227 N. High.  
 Charles, David, driver, 428 E. Miner.  
 Cherry, T. C., teacher, S. N. S.; h., 18 Price.  
 Chester County Telegraph and Telephone Co., Arthur Hoop's Supt., 24 W. Market.  
 Chew, Frances, 213 W. Fayette.  
 Chew, John F., porter, 401 W. Market.  
 Chew, Mary A., 401 W. Market.  
 Chew, Robert, lab., 213 W. Fayette.  
 Chew, Walter, driver, 213 W. Fayette.  
 Cheyney, Alice P., assistant at Library, 206 E. Gay.  
 Cheyney, Mrs. E. R., 122 S. Church.  
 Cheyney, Dr. Mary H., 21 S. Church.  
 Cheyney, Mary E., 206 E. Gay.  
 Cheyney, Rufus T., clerk, 206 E. Gay.  
 Cheyney, Thos., clerk, 206 E. Gay.  
 Cheyney, Walter, plumber, 127 W. Fayette.  
 Chiler, Lizzie, 311 S. Adams.  
 Chrisman, Annie J., 427 W. Miner. S. Adams.  
 Chrisman, J. Leighton, bookkeeper, 105 W. Gay.  
 Chrisman, Mary E., 427 W. Miner.  
 Chrisman, M. Mildred, 105 W. Gay.  
 Chrisman, Chas. W., 433 W. Miner.  
 Chrisman, Mrs. Henrietta, 323 S. Adams.  
 Chrisman, John L., brickyard, 323 S. Adams.  
 Christmas, Mary O., 13 W. Gay.  
 Chuck, Ho Lin, laundry, 121 W. Gay.  
 Chun, Lee, laundry, 106 W. Market.  
 CHURCH, FIRST BAPTIST, Rev. Joshua E. Willis, pastor, S. High near Union.  
 CHURCH, OLIVET BAPTIST, Rev. J. H. Chambers, pastor, S. W. cor. New and Union.  
 CHURCH, ST. PAUL'S BAPTIST, Rev. J. C. King, pastor, Miner, E. of Adams.  
 CHURCH, ST. AGNES' CATHOLIC, Rev. Samuel B. Spalding, pastor, Gay, near New.  
 CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, Rev. Arthur Rogers, rector, Cor. High and Union.  
 CHURCH, REFORMED EPISCOPAL, Rev. Sydney N. Ussher, rector, W. Union.  
 CHURCH, METHODIST EPISCOPAL, Rev. D. M. Gordon, pastor, N. E. cor. Market and D'rlington.  
 CHURCH, BETHEL A. M. E., Rev. G. T. Watkins, pastor, Miner, E. of Franklin.  
 CHURCH, UNION A. M. E., Rev. S. P. Shepard, pastor, Franklin, below Miner.  
 CHURCH, FIRST PRESBYTERIAN, Rev. W. R. Laird, pastor, S. E. cor. Miner and Darlington.  
 CHURCH, SECOND PRESBYTERIAN, Rev. C. L. Butler, pastor, Walnut S. of Min r.  
 CHURCH, WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN, Rev. Alex. Esler, S. W. cor. Church and Barnard.  
 CHURCH ST. HIGH SCHOOL, Church and Biddle.  
 Ciprian, Jos. G., mach., 117 E. Barn'd.  
 Clark, Alex., lab., 432 E. Miner.  
 Clark, Catherine G., saleslady, 214 W. Chestnut.  
 Clark, C. Mabel, 120 W. Barnard.  
 Clark, Celia A., saleslady, 208 E. Market.  
 Clark, Davis, florist, 20 S. Matlack.  
 Clark, Emma, 337 W. Miner.  
 Clark, Elizabeth, 42 W. Barnard.  
 Clark, Fannie, domes., 430 S. Walnut.  
 Clark, Franklin G., mach., 133 Magnolia.  
 Clark, Hood, 229 E. Gay.  
 Clark, Isabella V., 337 W. Miner.  
 Clark, John F., printer, 214 W. Chestnut.  
 Clark, John S., mach., 211 W. Market.  
 Clark, John Z., 337 W. Miner.  
 Clark, J. Theo., clerk, 225 Sharpless.  
 Clark, John E., 432 E. Miner.  
 Clark, John, Jr., rag dealer, 511 E. Barnard.  
 Clark, Lillie V., cook, 20 S. Matlack.  
 Clark, Louisa M., 208 E. Market.  
 Clark, Mary E., dress maker, 208 E. Market.  
 Clark, May R., 214 W. Chestnut.  
 Clark, Michael, florist, 208 E. Ma k-t.  
 Clark, Michael F., mach., 347 E. Biddle.  
 Clark, Michael J., florist, 214 W. Chestnut.  
 Clark, Philena, 406 E. Miner.  
 Clark, Robert H., bookkeeper, 19 S. Walnut.  
 Clark, Sallie, dom., 30 S. Church.  
 Clark, Thomas, lab., 312 W. Washington.  
 Clark, Walter A., foreman, Daily Local News, 120 W. Barnard.  
 Clark, Walter J., mach., 131 E. Miner.  
 Clarkson, Howard, 129 W. Biddle.  
 Clarkson, Linford, bootblack, 500 E. Miner.  
 Clay, Wm. G., meats and provisions, 27 E. Market; h., 133 E. Union.  
 Clark, Wm. F., lab. 129 W. Biddle.  
 Clemmens, Mrs. Mar ha., 501 E. Barn'd.  
 Clemson, Hannah G., 127 E. Ch st t.  
 Clemson, M. M. S., 127 E. Chestnut.  
 Clno.d, Mrs. M., 214 N. Franklin.  
 Cline, Charles A., hostler, 209 W. Fayette.  
 Cloud, Estelena, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.  
 Cloud, Samuel, carp., 211 W. Market.  
 Clouser, Henry J., conductor, 25 S. Walnut.  
 Clouser, Jos. A., brakeman, 25 S. Walnut.  
 Cobb, Mrs. M. L., 112 S. Church.  
 Clower, John L., prison keeper, 2.8 W. Market.  
 Cobourn, Dr. F. P., dent., 112 S. High.  
 Cobourn, John W., printer, 317 S. Darlington.  
 Cobourn, Jos. B., mason, 317 S. Darlington.  
 Coburn, Wm. J., driver, 317 S. Darlington.  
 Cochran, Alice, Librarian, S. N. S.  
 Cochran, G. B., Prof. of Chemistry, 514 S. High.  
 Cochran, Elwood S., 152 E. Gay.  
 Cochran, Mrs. I. C., 514 S. High.  
 Cochran, I. S. & Son, stock dealers, 116 E. Market; h., 152 E. Gay.  
 Cochran, Isaac S., stock dealer, 114-116 E. Market; h., 116 E. Gay.  
 Cochran, Isaac S., Jr., 152 E. Gay.  
 Cochran, Wm. C., mach., 208 E. Gay.  
 Cochran, W. H., livery and stock dealer; 114-116 E. Market; h., 152 E. Gay.  
 Coggins, Edinboro, coal dealer, 414 E. Miner.  
 Coggins Sol. C., lab., 319 E. Barn'd.  
 Cohen, Benj., artist, 117 W. Fayette.  
 Cole, Eugene, bootblack, 215 Evans.  
 Cole, Margaret A., 215 Evans.  
 Collins, Mrs. Mary, dom., 16 S. Ch'h.  
 Colson, Anna Mary, cook, 23 S. Ch'h.  
 Colwell, Rachel A., laundress, 243 S. Matlack.  
 Comfort, I. R., manager Sharples' Separator Works, N. P. nn.  
 Comfort, Walton, 107 S. Church.  
 Comly, R. B., 232 W. Gay.  
 Compton, Rev. A. G., 101 N. New.  
 Compton, Laura J., 101 N. New.  
 Conaway, Wm. C., printer, 218 N. Darlington.  
 Conard, Enoch, Friends' Boarding Home.  
 Conard, Jas. F., clerk, 101 S. Mat'l k.  
 Conard, Mary C., 618 S. Matlack.  
 Conard, Samuel F., night watchman, 618 S. Matlack.  
 Conly, Mary J., 205 Sharpless.  
 Connell, Anna T., nurse, 413 S. Mat'l k.  
 Connell, Anna T., 320 S. Walnut.  
 Connell, Chas. V., far., 413 S. Mat'l k.  
 Connell, Patrick, far., 413 S. Mat'l k.  
 Conner, Bridget, 315 S. Matlack.  
 Conner, Helena J., 120 W. Miner.  
 Conner, Tamar H., 118 S. New.  
 Connor, Jas. A., letter carrier, 119 E. Barnard.  
 Connor, Willard, stu., 119 E. Barn'd.  
 Conrad, Albert J., 217 E. Market.  
 Conrad, J. W., engraver, 132 Magnolia.  
 Conrad, Lavinia A., 132 Magnolia.  
 Conrad, Wm., 217 E. Market.  
 Conway, Geo. W., 27 S. High.  
 Conyers, Wm., 302 S. Darlington.  
 Cook, Bernard, lab., 113 E. Miner.  
 Cook, Mrs. Hannah, 319 W. Union.  
 Cook, Michael F., printer, 113 E. Miner.  
 Cook, Patrick, 20 S. High.  
 Cooner, Mrs. A., 344 E. Market.  
 Coop r, Anna, dom., 325 N. Darlington.  
 Cooper, Alonza V., clerk, 120 Lacey.  
 Cooper, Bessie L., 19 S. Church.  
 Cooper, Chas. M., expressman, 364 S. Darlington.  
 Cooper, Mrs. Clement, 434 S. Walnut.  
 Cooper, Edith F., widow, 120 Lacey.  
 Cooper, Mrs. E. J., 322 W. Gay.  
 Cooper, Ed., lab., 325 N. Darlington.  
 Cooper, Geo. L., clerk, 19 S. Church.  
 Cooper, J. B., lumber, Phila.; h., 122 W. Barnard.  
 Cooper, John, lab., 15 S. Adams.

- Cooper, J. W., printer, 322 W. Gay.  
 Cooper, Julia A., stenog., 129 Lacey.  
 Cooper, Mrs. Lydia E., boarding house, 19 S. Church.  
 Cooper, Mary L., 129 Lacey.  
 Cooper, Wm., waiter, 325 N. Darlington.  
 Cope, Caroline, seamstress, 13 W. Biddle.  
 Cope, Debbie E., 414 S. Walnut.  
 Cope, Deborah, dress maker, 13 W. Biddle.  
 Cope, E. H., machinist, 135 W. Gay; h., 137 W. Gay.  
 Cope, Emma, 118 W. Miner.  
 Cope, Geo. artist, 305 W. Gay, 323 W. Biddle.  
 Cope, Elizabeth B., 124 S. Church.  
 Cope, Geo. R., clerk, 20 W. Chestnut.  
 Cope, Gilbert, 522 N. Church.  
 Cope, Herman, 532 N. Church.  
 Cope, Hilborn M., machinist, 135 W. Gay; h., 22 N. Darlington.  
 Cope, Jane W., 414 S. Walnut.  
 Cope, Lucinda, 516 N. Church.  
 Cope, Mary, 13 W. Biddle.  
 Corbin, Millie, dom., 119 W. Market.  
 Corcoran, Mrs. Mary, 234 W. Barn'd.  
 Corcoran, Patrick, 202 W. Barn'd.  
 Corcoran, Patrick, nurseryman, 319 W. Chestnut.  
 Corcoran, Richard, clerk, 211 W. Market.  
 Corcoran, Wm. J., milk and butter, 140 W. Market.  
 Cornell, Mrs. Francis J., 410 W. Union.  
 Cornell, Wm. J., 410 W. Union.  
 Corner Shoe Store, The, Frank A. Patton, 45 W. Gay.  
 Cornwell, Ada, Virginia Ave.  
 Cornwell, Gheen & Cornwell, att'ys, 8 S. High.  
 Cornwell, Gibbons G., Cornwell, Gheen & Cornwell, 30 N. Church.  
 Cornwell, Martha Jackson, sculptor, Virginia Ave.  
 Cornwell, Mary E., Virginia Ave.  
 Cornwell, R. T., Cornwell, Gheen & Cornwell, Virginia Ave.  
 Cornwell, Wm. D., stu., Virginia Av.  
 Corson, Elizabeth, 341 W. Miner.  
 Cosgrove, Eugene, grocer, 124 E. Market.  
 Cosgriff, Jos. B., letter carrier, 318 W. Washington.  
 Cosgriff, Louis B., plumb., 433 N. New.  
 Cosgriff, Mrs. Martha C., 433 N. New.  
 Cosgriff, May N., saleslady, 433 N. New.  
 Costello, Catherine, domes., 322 S. Walnut.  
 Cotter, Catherine, dom., 417 N. New.  
 Cotter, Mrs. Catherine, 417 N. New.  
 Cotter, Jas. H., bartender, 433 N. New.  
 Cotter, Margaret, 417 N. New.  
 Cotter, Wm., lab., 417 N. New.  
 Cotton, Ariel C., 123 W. Barnard.  
 Cotton, Melinda, widow, 145 E. Miner.  
 Cotton, Melville C., electrician, 123 W. Barnard.  
 Couch, Katie, 303 S. Adams.  
 Coughlin, Mary Theresa, dom., 219 Evans.  
 Coughlin, Mrs. Mary A., 219 Evans.  
 Coulston, Laura, 326 Hannum Ave.  
 Court, Frederic, lab., 122 N. New.  
 Cox, Laura M., 9 N. Walnut.  
 Cox, Lewis H., mach., 241 W. Washington.  
 Cox, Lewis H., 128 W. Miner.  
 Cox, May, 128 W. Miner.  
 Cox, Townsend W., janitor 1st Pres. Ch., 128 W. Miner.  
 Cox, W. Harry, separator works, 7 N. Matlack.  
 Cox, Walter, paper hanger, 113 N. New.  
 Cox, R. Walter, mach., 128 W. Miner.  
 Cox, Wilmer M., mach., 9 N. Wal't.  
 Coyne, Mrs. Mary, 18 N. New.  
 Craig, Franklin, janitor, 10 Bolmar.  
 Creamer, Mary M., 129 S. Darlington.  
 Creigh, Rev. J. J., 321 N. High.  
 Criley, Elizabeth instructor, S. N. S.  
 Cromartie, Mary L., 128 E. Gay.  
 Cronin, Mary, 14 W. Gay.  
 Crossley, Mrs. Elisha, 125 S. Mat'lk.  
 Crosslev, Jas. J., expressman, 125 S. Matlack.  
 Crossley, Wm. F., expressman, 140 E. Market; h., 125 S. Matlack.  
 Crowe, Florence L., 408 W. Miner.  
 Crowe, Ida E., 408 W. Miner.  
 Crowe, J. Frank, engineer, 408 W. Miner.  
 Crowell, Chas. M., druggist, 106 W. Gay; h., 104 W. Gay.  
 Crowell, Mary A., 104 W. Gay.  
 Crowell, M. E., 104 W. Gay.  
 Cuddipp, James H., marble and granite, 40 E. Miner.  
 Cuddipp, Wm. S., salesman, 40 E. Miner.  
 Crossen, Edward, spoke maker, 139 E. Miner.  
 Cummins, Anna, 327 S. Adams.  
 Cummins, Mrs. C. W., 129 W. Union.  
 Cummins, Eleanor J., 119 E. Market.  
 Cummins, Jeremiah, brick maker, 327 S. Adams.  
 Cummins, Neonta, 327 S. Adams.  
 Cummins, Orlando J., 119 E. Market.  
 Cummins, Robert, 340 E. Miner.  
 Cummins, Mrs. R., 344 E. Miner.  
 Cummins, T. Fairfax, 327 S. Adams.  
 Cummings, Alfred M., painter, 137 W. Gay.  
 Cummings, Anna, laundress, 241 S. Matlack.  
 Cummings, Mand, 327 S. Adams.  
 Cummings, Thos. G., lab., 127 W. Union.  
 Cummings, Thos. G., Jr., lab., 127 W. Union.  
 Cunningham, Clarence, stone cutter, 132 Nields.  
 Cunningham, Howard, bricklayer, 128 S. High.  
 Cunningham, Kate, 313 E. Market.  
 Curry, Alfred, lab., 422 Hannum Av.  
 Curry, Clifford C., clerk, 40 E. Gay.  
 Curry, Elizabeth J., 601 E. Miner.  
 Curry, Esther A., dressmaker, 601 E. Miner.  
 Curry, Frank, nurse, 601 E. Miner.  
 Curry, Geo. W., salesman, 326 S. Darlington.  
 Curry, Octavia, 601 E. Miner.  
 Curry, Smith T., clerk, 40 E. Gay.  
 Curry, Thos. B., quarryman, 338 W. Gay.  
 Curry, Wilfred C., clerk, 220 Nields.  
 Curry, Wm., huckster, 601 E. Miner.  
 Curry, W. C., groceries, fish and vegetables, 42 E. Gay; h., 40 E. Gay.  
 Custer, Anna, domes., 11 S. Church.  
**D**AGUE, Lillie, domes., 221 S. Walnut.  
 Dague, Eva E., 132 E. Washington.  
 Dailey, Patrick, carpenter, 234 N. Franklin.  
 DAILY LOCAL NEWS, W. H. HODGSON, Prop., 12 S. High.  
 Daisey, Jacob F., 20 N. New.  
 Dale, Anna M., school teacher, 309 Hannum Ave.  
 DALE, GEO., PRINTER, High St., op. Court House; h., 309 Hannum Ave.  
 Dale, Samuel, 309 Hannum Ave.  
 Dallett, Elizabeth H., Virginia Ave.  
 Dalton, Bridget, 124 W. Barnard.  
 Dalton, Catherine, 124 W. Barnard.  
 Dalton, Jane, 124 W. Barnard.  
 Dalton, Mary, 124 W. Barnard.  
 Damon, Carrie, clerk 503 S. Walnut.  
 Damon, Lorenzo, canvasser, 503 S. Walnut.  
 Daniel Elizabeth C. 137 W. Barnard.  
 Daniel, S. Emma, 135 W. Barn'd.  
 Darlington, A. M., 238 W. Miner.  
 Darlington, Abraham, 308 W. Barnard.  
 Darlington, Alice L., artist, 305 N. High.  
 Darlington, Mrs. Alice P., 17 W. Biddle.  
 Darlington, Anna B., 403 N. Church.  
 Darlington, Anna F., 123 E. Washington.  
 Darlington, Beulah W., 26 E. Washington.  
 Darlington Bros., grocers, wholesale and retail, Market and Church.  
 Darlington, Casper, 215 Dean.  
 Darlington, Charlotte B., 212 Price.  
 Darlington, Mrs. Charlotte B., 212 Price.  
 Darlington, Charles, bookkeeper, 126 Magnolia.  
 Darlington, Chas. H., 305 N. High.  
 Darlington, Deborah I., 224 N. Darlington.  
 Darlington, Emma, 212 Price.  
 Darlington, Ella, school teacher, 123 Magnolia.  
 Darlington, Edith, Friends' Boarding Home.  
 Darlington, Edith M., 305 N. High.  
 Darlington, Edw'n Paul, mail carrier, 224 N. Darlington.  
 Darlington, Ernest M., 305 N. H. G.  
 Darlington, Ethel H., 305 N. H. G.  
 Darlington, Mrs. Elizabeth H., 1 S. High.  
 Darlington, Mrs. F. J., 308 S. Church.  
 Darlington, F. P., Darlington Bros., h., 129 S. Church.  
 Darlington, Mrs. Florence, 604 S. Walnut.  
 Darlington, Frances B., 308 S. Church.  
 Darlington, Francis, 123 E. Washington.  
 Darlington, Hannah Mercer, 225 W. Miner.  
 Darlington, Harriet, 225 E. Washington.  
 Darlington, Herbert T., 129 S. Church.  
 Darlington, Howard G., carpenter, 335 W. Barnard.  
 Darlington, Isabel, att'y, 6 S. High, h., E. Bradford.  
 Darlington, J. Taylor, carpenter, 341 W. Barnard.  
 Darlington, James P., 17 S. Church.  
 Darlington, Jasper, 224 N. Darlington.  
 Darlington, Jesse, farmer, 127 S. Matlack.  
 Darlington, Joseph B., carpenter, 308 W. Barnard.  
 Darlington, Lewis W., dentist, 318 S. Walnut.  
 Darlington, Lionel, 308 S. Church.  
 Darlington, Mary, 26 E. Washington.  
 Darlington, Mary E., 126 Magnolia.  
 Darlington, Mark H., Treasurer Tag Factory, 318 S. Walnut.  
 Darlington, Percy, clerk, 33 S. High.  
 Darlington, Percy S., clerk, 13 N. High, h., E. Bradford.  
 Darlington, R. Anna, 26 E. Washington.  
 Darlington, Richard, Darlington Seminary, E. Bradford.  
 Darlington, Richard S., foreman, 225 E. Washington.  
 Darlington, S. Barnard, salesman, 511 N. New.  
 Darlington, Sarah H., 225 E. Washington.  
 Darlington, Walter, cigars, 10 E. Market; h., 8 E. Market.  
 Davis, Alberta J., typewriter, 142 E. Gay.  
 Davis, Amos, clerk, 142 E. Gay.  
 Davis, Anna R., 132 W. Market.  
 Davis, Rev. E. P., 417 W. Gay.  
 Davis, Bessie, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.  
 Davis, Charles M., painter, 129 E. Market.  
 Davis, Edward E., driver, Grove House, W. Miner.  
 Davis, Eliza, 431 S. Adams.  
 Davis, Elizabeth S., 429 W. Miner.  
 Davis, Elwood H., harnessmaker, 21 E. Market; h., 423 S. Matlack.  
 Davis, Emily M., dressmaker, 132 W. Market.  
 Davis, Mrs. Fannie W., 140 W. Union.  
 Davis, Frank B., machinist, 301 N. Darlington.  
 Davis, Frank U., carpenter, 321 S. Darlington.  
 Davis, George, nurseryman, 303 S. Matlack.  
 Davis, George, laborer, 342 E. Miner.

- Davis, Herman F., machinist, 301 N. Darlington.
- Davis, W. Howard, carpenter, 229 W. Washington.
- Davis, J. Frank, spoke mill hand, 149 W. Union.
- Davis, Jacob, driver, 425 S. Matlack.
- Davis, James, carpenter, 235 W. Gay.
- Davis, Leon W., plumber, 301 N. Darlington.
- Davis, Lewis, sewing machine repairs, 206 S. High.
- DAVIS, LOUIS N., PLUMBER, 38 E. Gay; h., 40 E. Gay.
- Davis, Lulu I., 229 W. Washington.
- Davis, Mary, 423 W. Miner.
- Davis, Mrs. Mary E., 503 E. Barnard.
- Davis, Martha A., 142 E. Gay.
- Davis, Maud V., domestic, 403 E. Barnard.
- Davis, Owen, clerk, 227 N. Darlington.
- Davis, Rachel, 342 E. Miner.
- Davis, Samuel M., clerk, 507 S. Matlack.
- Davis, Mrs. Sarah P., 218 S. Wanuc.
- Davis, Susan, 342 E. Miner.
- Davis, Samuel, post and railer, 119 E. Miner.
- Davis, Tacie M., nurse, 143 E. Market.
- Davis, Thomas W., grocer, 129 E. Market.
- Davis, Thomas L., clerk, 129 E. Market.
- Davis, Dr. W. E., veterinarian, 219 W. Market.
- Davis, Wm. M., clerk, 501 S. Church.
- Davis, William, reporter, 422 Dean.
- Davis, W. Percy, 229 W. Washington.
- Davis, Walter W., clerk, 142 E. Gay.
- Dawson, Mrs. Annie, 126 E. Chestnut.
- Dawson, Edward, printer, 126 E. Chestnut.
- Dawson, Trevor, foundryman, 126 E. Chestnut.
- Day, Mrs. Ellen N., 505 N. New.
- Day, James P., mechanic, 326 W. Washington.
- Deacon, Dr. Joseph, dentist, 35 S. High; h., 211 W. Market.
- Dean, Anna E., 116 N. Darlington.
- Dean, Harry G., engineer, 115 Magnolia.
- De Angelo, Paschal, laborer, 428 W. Chestnut.
- Deann, Nora J., domestic, 303 S. Church.
- Delaney, Augustine, railroad section man, 222 N. Franklin.
- Delaney, Mary, domes ic, 121 E. Gay.
- Delaney, Sarah, domestic, 113 E. Market.
- Delaware and Atlantic Telegraph and Telephone Co., 12 E. Gay.
- Delp, Prof. W. S., instructor, State Normal School.
- Dennis, Mrs. Jane, 231 S. Walnut.
- Denny, Jeremiah, coachman, 118 E. Union.
- Denny, L. Willis, laborer, 219 W. Barnard.
- Denny, Sarah, domestic, 437 S. Adams.
- Denny, Sarah J., domestic, Barclay Home.
- Denny Tag Co. (Inc.), W. Barnard, C. W. Talbot, Pres.; S. O. Barber, Sec.; Mark H. Darlington, Treas.
- Dent, Mrs M., widow, 307 E. Miner.
- Depeltquestangue, Estaigne M., domestic, Church, cor. Marshall.
- Derrick, Mrs. Mary J., widow Isaac H., 429 S. Church.
- Derry, Mrs. Anna, domestic, 321 W. Chestnut.
- Derry, Eli, hostler, 114 S. Matlack.
- Derry, Frederic, laborer, 321 W. Chestnut.
- Derry, Geo. H., hostler, 118 S. Matlack.
- Derry, Henry, laborer, 321 W. Chestnut.
- Deery, Linda M., rear 13 N. High.
- Deery, Mrs. Mary A., janitor, rear 13 N. High.
- Derry, Mary A., janitor, 13 N. High.
- Derry, Sarah M., 16 S. Matlack.
- Derry, Sarah Ann, 317 W. Market.
- Derry, Thos., laborer, 145 E. Miner.
- Devaughn, Emma, 228 N. Franklin.
- Devonshire, Elmer, laundryman, 130 Nields.
- Deweese, Geo. S., Esq., 107 S. Church.
- Dick, Mrs. Emeline M., 427 N. Wal't.
- Dick, Prof. Wallace P., 429 N. Wal't.
- Dicks, Dr. J. Oscar, 115 E. Market; h., 128 E. Chestnut.
- Dicks, Joseph, furniture, 117 E. Gay; h., 128 E. Chestnut.
- Dicks, Katharine, 128 E. Chestnut.
- Dicks, Mary L., 128 E. Chestnut.
- Dicks, Samuel L., attendance officer, 128 W. Biddle.
- Dickinson, Mrs. Sarah Hall, 301 N. Matlack.
- Diffenderfer, Frances, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.
- Diem, Fannie, waitress, Eagle Hotel.
- Dillingham, Bessie, 105 S. High.
- Dillingham, Conway, 105 S. High.
- Dillingham, Florence, 105 S. High.
- Dillingham, Jcs. B., 105 S. High.
- Dilworth, Jesse W., separator works, 123 Lacey.
- Dilworth, Phebe E., boarding house, 123 Lacey.
- Dixon, John, helper, 330 N. High.
- Dobson, A. M., 124 E. Gay.
- Dock, Lee, Pndryman, 106 W. Market.
- Dogans, Sarah, domestic, 107 E. Chestnut.
- Dolan, Agnes, 112 E. Miner.
- Donovan, Daniel, fireman, 353 E. Biddle.
- Donovan, John F., restaurant, 20-22 E. Market; h., 31 Price.
- Donnell, James, nurseryman, 10 Poplar.
- Dooley, James F., spoke mill hand, 122 W. Union.
- Dooley, Mary E., 122 W. Union.
- Dooley, Michael, mortar plant, 349 E. Biddle.
- Dooley, Thos. S., stocking factory hand, 122 W. Union.
- Doran, Jennie, domes., 10 S. Church.
- Doran, John, laborer, 519 Nields.
- Doran, Lawrence, fireman, 504 Nields.
- Dorsey, Charles, Gas Co. hand, 321 E. Barnard.
- Dorsey, Elizabeth, domestic, 110 W. Market.
- Dorsey, Jacob, driver, Virginia Ave. Boto.
- Dora, Clara, student, 112 E. Miner.
- Dotterer, Matthias, tailor, 125 Magnolia.
- Dougans, Joseph S., 12 S. Matlack.
- Dougans, Luther, hod carrier, 12 S. Matlack.
- Dougans, Sarah E., domes., 12 S. Matlack.
- Dougherty, Alice, 220 E. Chestnut.
- Dougherty, Amanda, domestic, 309 N. Matlack.
- Dougherty, George, foreman, 220 E. Chestnut.
- Dougherty, Laura, clerk, 220 E. Chestnut.
- Dougherty, Lizzie, domestic, 520 S. Darlington.
- Dougherty, James, stenographer, 220 E. Chestnut.
- Douglas, Ruthanna, 429 W. Market.
- Dowdall, Peter, quarryman, 141 E. Miner.
- Dowln, Miss Belle T., 324 W. Washington.
- Dowlin, Henderson T., stenographer, 324 W. Washington.
- Dowlin, Howard H., student, 405 S. Walnut.
- Dowlin, Jesse J., 216 Sharpless.
- Dowlin, William, cashier Farmers' Bank, 405 S. Walnut.
- Dowlin, Wm. H., insurance, 15 S. High; h., 216 Sharpless.
- Downey, Daniel, 433 Nields.
- Downey, Julia, 433 Nields.
- Downing, Cornelius, 30 E. Gay.
- Downing, T. Hoopes, clerk, 327 S. Darlington.
- Downs, G. Walter, tinsmith, 237 W. Union.
- Downs, Dr. M. M., V. S., 36 S. High.
- Downs, Jas. A., shoemaker, alley, rear of 20 N. Church; h., 40 S. High.
- Downs, Jesse W., plum., 40 S. High.
- Doyle, Arthur, shoemaker, 419 W. Market.
- Draper, John, 429 E. Barnard.
- Draper, Josephine, 429 E. Barnard.
- Draper, Lottie, 429 E. Barnard.
- Draper, Sabra A., 447 N. Church.
- Duckett, Laura A., 416 W. Union.
- Dugans, John L., coachman, 317 S. Matlack.
- Dulin, Frank, nurseryman, 15 E. Miner.
- Dulin, James, plumber, 15 E. Miner.
- Dulin, John, tinsmith, 15 E. Miner.
- Dunlap, Geo. M., grocer, 33 W. Gay; h., Philadelphia.
- Dunleavy, Bridget, 409 W. Market.
- Dunleavy, John, plumber, 33 E. Miner.
- Dunleavy, Patrick, assistant fireman, 212 N. Franklin.
- Dunleavy, Saffie, 359 E. Biddle.
- Dunn, John S., barber, 216 Sharpless.
- Dunn, Marg'rt, domes., Virginia Av.
- Dunn, Rachel M., 112 S. Church.
- Dunn, Samuel J., laborer, 321 N. Darlington.
- Dunn, Mrs. T. D., 112 S. Church.
- Dunwoody, Annie J., artist, 343 W. Miner.
- Dunwoody, Mrs. M. M., 343 W. Miner.
- Dunwoody, Sarah, domestic, 27 S. High.
- Durborough, Mrs. Sarah J., 28 S. High.
- Durborow, Gheen M., mechanic, 231 S. Matlack.
- Durborow, Mrs. Maggie, 7 N. Matlack.
- Durnall, Annie E., 128 W. Chestnut.
- Durnall, Andrew, brickmaker, 113 Poplar.
- Durnall, Arthur J., foreman brick yard, 524 E. Miner.
- Durnall, Dilwyn J., carpenter, 128 W. Chestnut.
- Durnall, Ellis, 113 Poplar.
- Durnall, Elsie, 317 S. Adams.
- Durnall, Ethel M., student, 128 W. Chestnut.
- Durnall, Fred, tailor, 113 Poplar.
- Durnall, Florence M., 128 W. Chestnut.
- Durnall, Henry C., 228 W. Miner.
- Durnall, Morris, brick maker, 309 S. Adams.
- Durnall, Samuel, laborer, 104 Poplar.
- Durnall, Willie R., 128 W. Chestnut.
- Durnell, Mrs. Eleanor R., widow, 329 N. Franklin.
- Durnell, Frank, 113 Poplar.
- Durnell, Ida, 335 S. Adams.
- Durnell, Mary, student, 335 S. Adams.
- Durnell, Walter, student, 335 S. Adams.
- Durnell, William, laborer, 335 S. Adams.
- Durbam, Ellie T., domes., 418 N. High.
- Durkee, Edgar, Ass't Supt. Life Insurance Co., 121 Lacey.
- Dutt, Bertha, domestic, 35 W. Gay.
- Dutt, Frank E., engineer, 114 S. New.
- Dutton, Anna, trained nurse, 125 W. Gay.
- Dutton, Bertha M., 309 W. Union.
- Dutton, C. Anita, 309 W. Union.
- Dutton, Geo. H., clerk 119 Magnolia.
- DUTTON, H. SHARPLESS, GROCER, cor., Miner and High; h., 27 E. Union.
- Dutton, Harry S., Jr., 208 W. Miner.
- Dutton, Isaac L., 309 W. Union.
- Dutton, Lowell P., ticket agent, 309 W. Union.
- Dutton, R. Hayes, Superintendent Gas Works, 501 S. Walnut.
- Dutton, Richard, flour and feed, E. Gay, cor. P. R. R.; h., 501 S. Walnut.
- Dye, Charlotte M., 525 N. High.



- E**ABY, Jackson L., electrician, 14 S. New.  
 Eachus, Abner M., Superintendent of Streets, 251 Dean.  
 Eachus, Clara M., music teacher, 134 E. Barnard.  
 Eachus, Davis R., clerk, 134 E. Barn'd.  
 Eachus, F. Harry, Mayer & Eachus, W. Market; h., 120 S. High.  
 Eachus, H. Morgan, clerk, 134 E. Barnard.  
 Eachus, Mrs. Hannah E., clerk, 507 S. Walnut.  
 Eachus, Jane, 507 S. Walnut.  
 Eachus, Jennie B., 419 W. Union.  
 Eachus, Lulu M., 419 W. Union.  
 Eachus, Marion F., 419 W. Union.  
 Eachus, Nellie G., dom., 515 S. Wal't.  
 Eachus, Stephen H., conductor, 131 E. Barnard.  
 Eachus, Wm., Register of Wills, 419 W. Union.  
 Eagle Hotel, cor. Gay and Walnut.  
 Early, Mrs. Mary, 204 W. Union.  
 Eastburn, Charles, tinsmith, 735 S. Matlack.  
 Eavenson, Albina B., 129 E. Union.  
 Eavenson, Harry Y., spoke turner, 129 E. Union.  
 Eavenson, Mary E., 129 E. Union.  
 Eavenson, Mary, 123 E. Union.  
 Eavenson, Phebe A., 123 E. Union.  
 Eavenson, T. Ellsworth, spoke works hand, 129 E. Union.  
 Eavenson, Thos. J., wheelwright, 129 E. Union.  
 Eberly, Eliza, 120 Nields.  
 Eberly, John, tinsmith, 120 Nields.  
 Eberly, Mabel, 120 Nields.  
 Echoff, Bessie M., 228 S. Walnut.  
 Echoff, Chas V., conductor, 228 S. Walnut.  
 Echoff, Wm. M., mech., 228 S. Wal't.  
 Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Walnut and Chestnut.  
 Edwards, Bertha, 117 E. Miner.  
 Edwards, Ernest C., blacksmith, 116 S. Matlack.  
 Edwards, Garrett, blacksmith, 117 E. Miner.  
 Edwards, Dr. H. R., 113 S. High.  
 Edwards, Henry E., blacksmith, 327 N. Darlington.  
 Edwards, Mrs. H. M., 115 E. Market.  
 Edwards, James, blacksmith, Pyle's Alley between Church and Darlington; h., 327 N. Darlington.  
 Edwards, R. Lizzie, 327 N. D. Ring on.  
 Edwards, Seth, blacksmith, 127 W. Biddle.  
 Edwards, Susan R., 9 S. High.  
 Ehinger, Dr. Clyde E., instructor, S. N. S.; h., 15 Normal Ave.  
 Ehn, Miss Clara M., teacher, 24 E. Gay.  
 Ehn, Mrs. M. F., & Son, bakery and confectionery, 26 E. Gay.  
 Eisenbeis, Louella A., 20 W. Miner.  
 Eisenbeis, Louis, bookkeeper, 20 W. Miner.  
 Eisenhardt, Christopher, helper, 23 E. Gay; h., 25 E. Gay.  
 Eisenhardt, Katherine, clerk, 25 E. Gay.  
 Elbert, Chas., lab., 324 W. Chestnut.  
 Elbert, Geo., far., 408 E. Miner.  
 Elbert, John, post and railer, 324 E. Miner.  
 Elbert, Wm. A., lab., 324 W. Chest't.  
 Eldredge, Elizabeth, stu., 432 S. Walnut.  
 Eldredge, Jona., far., 219 W. Chest't.  
 Eldredge, Jos., Jr., clerk, 432 S. Walnut.  
 Eldredge, Mary E., stu., 432 S. Wal't.  
 Eldredge, Mary E., matron, 11 W. Chestnut.  
 Eldredge, B. S., book binder and stationer, 25 N. Church.  
 Eldredge, T. C., coal, 200 E. Market; h., 432 S. Walnut.  
 Eldridge, Jane, 20 W. Gay.  
 Elliott A. Wayne, note operator.  
 Daily Local News, 132 W. Barn'd.  
 Elliott, Fannie L., 218 W. Chestnut.  
 Elliott, Frank L., printer, 229 W. Barnard.  
 Elliott, Helen S., 229 W. Barnard.  
 Elliott, Jas. S., tinsmith, 229 W. Barn'd.  
 Elliott, Jona. D., salesman, 218 W. Chestnut.  
 Elliott, Lorena J., teacher, 229 W. Barnard.  
 Elliott, Mary R., 229 W. Barnard.  
 Elliott, Mrs. Rebecca A., 218 W. Chestnut.  
 Elliott, Roland A., pattern maker, 218 W. Chestnut.  
 Elser, Wm., baker, 26 E. Gay.  
 Elson, Susanna, 133 Dean.  
 Embree, Ann Eliza, 3 W. Biddle.  
 Embree, George, 505 S. High.  
 Embree, Pierson, 123 S. Church.  
 Emery, Ivan D., salesman, 33 S. Matlack.  
 Emery, Rebecca, 338 W. Union.  
 England, Elizabeth, 236 W. Gay.  
 England, Hannah M., 108 S. High.  
 England, Jennie, 236 W. Gay.  
 England, Martha A., cke k 108 S. H. n.  
 England, Mrs. Marshall B., 108 S. High.  
 Engle, Eva, saleslady, 701 S. Mat'l k.  
 Engle, Mrs. Mary, 209 Sharpless.  
 Engle, Walter, printer, 701 S. Mat'l k.  
 Ennis, Eliza, 239 W. Union.  
 Ennis, Jas. H., entry clerk, 417 W. Union.  
 Ennis, John F., carp., 239 W. Union.  
 Ennis, Mame, 239 W. Union.  
 Ennis, Wm., lab., 320 W. Chestnut.  
 Enochs, H. A., brakeman, 106 E. Washington.  
 Enochs, Mary, 106 E. Washington.  
 Enos, Mrs. Henrietta, 405 E. Barn'd.  
 Enos, William, 405 E. Barnard.  
**ENTRIKEN, A. L., HARNESS AND HORSE SUPPLIES, 23 E. Gay.**  
 Entriken, Caleb, 123 Lacey.  
 Entriken, John E., p 1 ce., 135 Lacey.  
 Entriken, Mabel, 106 E. Biddle.  
 Entriken, Mrs. Phebe J., 120 S. High.  
 Esbin, Ella F., dress maker, 124 W. Washington.  
 Esler, Rev. Alex., 128 W. Chestnut.  
 Esrey, Harry, expressman, 123 E. Miner.  
 Esworthy, Thos. T., shoemaker, 103 N. New.  
 Evans, Alva, dom., 15 Normal Ave.  
 Evans, Alva, domes., 321 S. Matlack.  
 Evans, Henry S., 215 S. High.  
 Evans, Jas., farmer, 425 E. Barnard.  
 Evans, Jessie, 15 Normal Ave.  
 Evans, John, brick maker, 321 S. Matlack.  
 Evans, Rev. Jos. S., duggist, pastor Goshen Bapt. Ch., 9 N. Church.  
 Evans, Dr. Jos. S., hospital, Phila., 9 N. Church.  
 Evans, Mary C., 9 N. Church.  
 Evans, Mrs. Mnty, domes., 321 S. Matlack.  
 Evans, Mrs. M. S., 118 Lacey.  
 Evans, Miss P. C., 26 W. Union.  
 Evans, Rachel S., 111 S. Church.  
**EVANS, ROBT. C., HATTER & MENS OUTFITTER, 22 W. MARKET, 118 E. Lacy.**  
 Evans, Wm. D., proof reader, Daily Local News, 215 S. High.  
 Everding, Paul H., confectioner, 26 W. Market; h., 512 S. Matlack.  
 Everett, Cora, teacher, S. N. S.  
 Everhart, Beni, M., botanist, 125 W. Everhart, Dr. John R., 125 W. Miner.  
 Everhart, Mary F., 125 W. Miner.  
 Everson, Thos. J., wheelwright, 12 W. Barnard; h., 129 E. Union.  
 Eyre, Joseph, 604 S. High.  
 Eyre, Mrs. Mary, 604 S. High.  
 Eyre, T. L., prop. Village Record, Mansion House.  
**F**ADDIS, Clarkson L., janitor, 249 Dean.  
 Faddis, Frances M., stu., 123 W. Chestnut.  
 Faddis, Grace E., stu., 132 Lacey.  
 Faddis, Jos. P., baggage master.  
 Faddis, Sophia H., 132 Lacey.  
 Faddis, Lacey.  
 Fahnestock, Geo., cedar ware and house-furnishing goods, 31 E. Gay; h., 32 E. Gay.  
 Fairlamb, Sallie, domes., N. Penn.  
 Fairlamb, Sara E., 309 N. Franklin.  
 Farley, Francis W., plumber, 25 E. Miner.  
 Farley, Mary, 25 E. Miner.  
 Farley, Thos., blacksmith, 25 E. Miner.  
 Farmers' Hotel, E. O. Taylor, Prop., 209-211 W. Market.  
 Farra, Alfred W., mech., 232 S. Mat'l k.  
 Farra, Ellsworth, spoke mill hand, 208 S. High.  
 Farra, Frank, rim driver, 400 Nields.  
 Farra, Harry W., carp., 126 Lacey.  
 Farra, Herbert C., 118 E. Barnard.  
 Farra, Howard, clerk, Turk's Head Hotel; h., 118 E. Barnard.  
 Farra, Mrs. Ida A., nurse, 415 S. Farra, Jacob p 1 ce man 231 W. Union.  
 Farra, Jesse D., p staff 118 E. Barn'd.  
 Farra, John, driver, 321 S. Matlack.  
 Farra, Mrs. Maty, 324 S. Matla k.  
 Farra, Margaret J., 232 S. Matlack.  
 Matlack.  
 Farrell, Ed. B., contractor, 209 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Ed. J., contractor, 211 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Emma M., 426 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Mrs. Eliza, 426 W. Ch s. nut.  
 Farrell, Eliza, 426 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Francis J., contractor, 211 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Jas. A., foreman, 421 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Jas., contractor, 209 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Dr. John A., 209 W. Chest't.  
 Farrell, Mary E., stu., 211 W. Chest't.  
 Farrell, Mary V., organist, 209 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Michael J., contractor and builder, 209 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Timothy E., contractor, 211 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Wm. C., stu., Overbrook 211  
 Farrell, Annie I., 211 W. Chestnut.  
 Farrell, Annie G., 209 W. Chestnut.  
 W. Chestnut.  
 Faucett, Alexis, creamery, Green Tree Hotel.  
 Faucett, Jos. O., 429 W. Miner.  
 Faucett, Susan, Dr. Price's farm, W. of S. New.  
 Fell, Cortland M., 316 W. Miner.  
 Fell, Laura M., 318 W. Miner.  
 Fell, Wm. J., harness maker, 116 W. Gay; h., 114 W. Gay.  
 Fell, Wm. T., 318 W. Miner.  
 Ferguson, Edward, mech., 419 N. Darlington.  
 Ferguson, Helena Georgialla, 423 Han-num Ave.  
 Ferguson, Kenneth DeLacy, 426 Han-num Ave.  
 Ferguson, Maria Scotta, 426 Han-num Av.  
**FERGUS, S. TUDOR, TEACHER OF VIOLIN, PIANO, ORGAN AND SMALL INSTRUMENTS; ALSO DEALER, 305 W. Gay.**  
 Ferguson, Thos., mech., 320 W. Washington.  
 Ferrell, Harry T., clerk 320 W. Union.  
 Ferrell, Mrs. Margaret, 237 Dean.  
 Ferrell, Wm. C., pattern maker, 123 W. Market.  
 Few, Bertha L., dress maker, 28 N. New.  
 Few, Mrs. Hester, 126 S. New.  
 Few, Lewis B., butcher, 28 N. New.  
 Few, Mary E., waitress, 116 N. New.  
 Few, S. meon S., butcher, 116 N. New.  
 Few, Wm. M., butcher, 116 N. New.  
 Field, Geo. F., hardware, 151-153 W. Gay.  
 Fields, Mrs. Lydia, 103 S. Worth'ton.  
 Fimple, Samuel, plumber, N. New, N. of Ashbridge.  
 Findlay, Francis, gardener, 316 W. Fayette.  
 Findlay, Hugh, florist, 316 W. Fayette.  
 Findlay, Thos. M., pattern maker, 316 W. Fayette.  
 Pingan, Mrs. Alice, 349 E. Biddle.  
 Pingan, Anna, dom., 401 N. New.  
 Pingan, Annie, 208 W. Gay.  
 Pingan, Annie A., dress maker, 208 E. Market.

- Finegan, Annie, chambermaid, Turk's Head Hotel; h., N. New.  
 Finegan, Annie H., dom., 114 S. High.  
 Finegan, Barney, lab., 349 W. Market.  
 Finegan, Barney J., contractor, 517 N. New.  
 Finegan, Bernard, far., 127 Magnolia.  
 Finegan, Bridget, dom., 491 N. New.  
 Finegan, Mrs. Catherine, 401 N. New.  
 Finegan, Ellie A., 127 Magnolia.  
 Finegan, Ellen, 401 N. New.  
 Finegan, Frank S., clerk, 208 W. Gay.  
 Finegan, J. H., carriage painter, 12 W. Barn'd; h., 127 S. Darling'tn.  
 Finegan, James, grocer, cor. Church and Gay; h., 208 W. Gay.  
 Finegan, Jas. E., creamery, 227 E. Chestnut.  
 Finegan, Jas. H., painter, 127 S. Darling'ton.  
 Finegan, Jas. J., far., 127 Magnolia.  
 Finegan, Jos., mach., 349 E. Biddle.  
 Finegan, Jos. J., clerk, 208 W. Gay.  
 Finegan, Katie, dom., 105 S. High.  
 Finegan, Mabel, dom., 239 Dean.  
 Finegan, Mary, 139 Lacey.  
 Finegan, Mary, 208 W. Gay.  
 Finegan, M. S. Muggi, milk and butter, 28 E. Miner.  
 Finegan, Patrick, tpstaff, 133 Lacey.  
 Finegan, Peter, painter, 401 N. New.  
 Finegan, Stephen, mach., 319 E. Biddle.  
 Finegan, Thomas, foreman, 549 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Finley, Thos., officer, 517 N. New.  
 Finley, Richard, painter, Farmers' Hotel.  
 Finn, Hannah, waitress, Turk's Head Hotel; h., 34 E. Market.  
 Finn, Jas., police, 114 W. Union.  
 Finn, Jas. F., mach., 114 W. Union.  
 Finn, Mary E., dress maker, 114 W. Union.  
 Finn, Mary, waitress, Turk's Head Hotel; h., 34 E. Market.  
 Finn, Philip S., 114 W. Union.  
 Finn, Sarah V., domes., 427 N. Wal't.  
 Fisher, Ruthanna, 22 S. Church.  
 Fisher, Mrs. Christina B., laundress, 322 N. Darling'ton.  
 Fisher, Jas. B., editor Village Record, 110 S. High.  
 Fitzgerald, Jeremiah J., S. Church, Trimble Graperies.  
 Fitzsimmons, Caleb J., 242 W. Barn'd.  
 Fitzsimmons, Geo., plumber and tinsmith, 123 W. Market; h., 102 W. Gay.  
 Fitzsimmons, Mrs. Geo., 16 S. Ch'h.  
 Fitzsimmons, Harvey, jeweler, 16 S. Church.  
 Fitzsimmons, Howard, watchmaker, jeweler and engraver, 11 N. Ch'h.  
 Fitzsimmons, Norman, clerk, 242 W. Barnard.  
 Fitzpatrick, Wm., gard., 118 N. New.  
 Fitzpatrick, Mary, tailoress, 118 N. New.  
 Fitzpatrick, Patrick, mach., 38 E. Miner.  
 Flagg, Geo. A., engineer, 225 W. Washington.  
 Flagg, Geo. Albert, driver, 225 W. Washington.  
 Flaherty Thos., printer, 235 N. Darling'ton.  
 Flanagan, Michael, foreman, 172 W. Gay.  
 Flanagan, Katharine, grocer, 152 W. Gay.  
 Fletcher, Jane, Barclay Home.  
 Flowers, Albert H., hostler, 331 W. Gay.  
 Foley, Mary, cook, 301 N. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, Miss Abbie, dress maker, 30 W. Gay.  
 Ford, Annie A., 205 W. Union.  
 Ford, Catherine, 406 E. Gay.  
 Ford, Mrs. Catherine, 328 S. Darling'ton.  
 Ford, Daniel L., mech., 503 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, Ella T., dress maker, 503 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, Esther, 406 E. Gay.  
 Ford, Frank, 205 W. Union.  
 Ford, Frank, spoke mill hand, 312 W. Gay.  
 Ford, George, 205 W. Union.  
 Ford, Jas., lab., 123 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, John S., lab., 503 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, John S., Jr., fireman, 503 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, John F., engineer, 521 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, Mrs. Kate, com., 143 E. Marshall.  
 Ford, Katie, 233 W. Gay.  
 Ford, Mrs. Lydia, dom., 114 W. Chestnut.  
 Ford, Mrs. Margaret R., 406 E. Gay.  
 Ford, Mary E., tailoress, 503 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, Peter, 205 W. Union.  
 Ford, Thos., contractor, 328 S. Darling'ton.  
 Ford, Wm. A., carp., 503 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Ford, Wm. W., conductor, 143 E. G. Y.  
 Ford, Winifred, 205 W. Union.  
 Foreman, Frank J., painter, 319 S. Darling'ton.  
 Foreman, Frank Jr., 319 S. Darling'ton.  
 Foreman, Fred G., salesman, 119 S. Darling'ton.  
 Foreman, Geo. B., painter, 119 S. Darling'ton.  
 Foreman, J. Ellwood, salesman, 119 S. Darling'ton.  
 Forsythe, Elizabeth, 162 S. Church.  
 Forsythe, Lydia A., 114 E. Wash'ton.  
 Forsythe, Truman, 100 E. Biddle.  
 Foster, Bentl'y W., 533 S. Darling'on.  
 Foster, Clara, mill n'r., 105 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Foster, E., milliner, 140 W. Gay.  
 Foster, Wm., mach., 140 W. Gay.  
 Foster, Levi, 140 W. Gay.  
 Foster, Emma, ironer, 502 S. Franklin.  
 Foster, Emma F., dress maker, 105 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Foster, Emma S., 522 S. Darling'ton.  
 Foster, Ed, carp., 223 W. Wash'ton.  
 Foster, Frank, butcher, 512 S. Franklin.  
 Foster, Fred, lab., 502 S. Franklin.  
 Foster, Mrs. Hannah A., 105 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Foulke, Edwin M., salesman, 120 E. Chestnut.  
 Foulke, Esther B., teacher, 120 E. Chestnut.  
 Foulke, Helen E., teacher, 120 E. Chestnut.  
 Fox, Anna G., 115 E. Fayette.  
 Fox, Harry S., clerk, 151 W. Gay.  
 Fox, Hillary, 116 E. Miner.  
 Fox, J. Thornton, clerk, 115 E. Fayette.  
 Fox, J. Sharpless, stu., 115 E. Fayette.  
 Fox, Jos. W., stu., 115 E. Fayette.  
 Fox, Sarah, 200 N. Church.  
 Frajick, Ebraim H., lab., 117 W. Chestnut.  
 Frajick Mrs. Lotta E., dress mak'r, 117 W. Chestnut.  
 Frame, Mrs. Clinton, 217 Sharpless.  
 Frame, Frank E., driver, 400 W. Gay.  
 Frame, Geo A., mach., 123 E. Barn'd.  
 Frame, Helen R., 330 S. Darling'ton.  
 Frame, Helen S., 123 E. Barnard.  
 Frame, Isaac H., barber, 137 Magnolia.  
 Frame, Jos. E., 137 Magnolia.  
 Frame, J. Warren, salesman, 201 W. Fayette.  
 Frame, Mary M., clerk, 330 S. Darling'ton.  
 Frame R. M., printer, 123 E. Barn'd.  
 FRAME, T. D. DARLINGTON, GROCER, 12 E. Market; h., 330 S. Darling'ton.  
 Frame, Thos. B., express, 490 W. Gay.  
 Frame, Walter E., clerk, 330 S. Darling'ton.  
 Francis, John, janitor, 121 E. Miner.  
 Freeman, M. S., Emma, 20 W. Mark't.  
 Freeman, H. F., jeweler, 18 W. Market; h., 20 W. Market.  
 Freeman, J. W., lab., 338 W. Gay.  
 Freeman, Perry brick make, 321 W. Chestnut.  
 Freeman, Mrs. S. C., 20 W. Market.  
 French, Ann, 123 W. Market.  
 French, Ella, 610 S. High.  
 French, Margaret, dress maker, 133 W. Market.  
 Friends' Boarding Home, 444 N. Walnut.  
 Friends' High School (Hicks'te), N. High, cor. Fayette.  
 Friends' Library (Orthodox), 212 N. Church.  
 FRIENDS' MEETING (Hicksite), High. N. of Biddle.
- FRIENDS' MEETING (Orthodox), Chestnut, near Church.  
 Friends' Select School (Orthodox), 212 N. Church.  
 Fritz, Mrs. Mary, 327 S. Darling'ton.  
 Fry, Fred E., barber, 116 W. Ch'st't.  
 Fry, Geo. L., barber, 116 W. Ch'st't. Union.  
 Fullerton, Chas. E., farm hand, 407 W. Market.  
 Fullerton, John, lab., 467 W. Market.  
 Fullerton, John, hostler, 407 W. Market.  
 Fullerton, Margaret, 407 W. Mark't.  
 Fulton, John L., Park Supt., 123 E. Furlong.  
 Furlong, Andrew, carp., 249 E. Market.  
 Futhy, Mrs. J. Smith, 217 S. Church.
- GALE, Geo. H., mech., 221 N. New.  
 Gallagher, Patrick, lab., 313 W. Chestnut.  
 Gallagher, Annie, domes., 313 W. Miner.  
 Gamble, Geo. H., mach., 235 W. Gay.  
 Ganges, Geo. H., bakery, 32 E. Market.  
 Ganges, Jeanetta, dom., 501 E. Miner.  
 Gannon, Catherine, 138 W. Miner.  
 Gardener, Jas., carp., 115 E. Barn'd.  
 Garrett, Abbie H., 121 Dean.  
 Garrett, Anna E., 203 W. Gay.  
 Garrett, Anna M., 339 N. Franklin.  
 Garrett, Anna Mary, 502 S. Walnut.  
 Garrett, Clifford, Secretary, S. N. S. Garrett, Debbie, Friends' Boarding Home.  
 Garrett, Ella J., 203 W. Gay.  
 Garrett, Geo. B., bank clerk, 329 W. Miner.  
 Garrett, Hannah, 110 E. Biddle.  
 Garrett, Harry, taxidermist, 36 E. Miner.  
 Garrett, Isaac L., lumberman, 306 W. Barnard.  
 Garrett, Jennie L., 329 W. Miner.  
 Garrett, Joshua L., far., 515 S. Wal't.  
 Garrett, Katie A., 11 S. Church.  
 Garrett, Lillian J., 121 Dean.  
 Garrett, L. Walter, Enotype operator, Daily Local News, 11 S. Church.  
 Garrett, Mary L., 509 S. Walnut.  
 Garrett, Nathan T., salesman, 329 W. Miner.  
 Garrett, Percy, insurance collector, 113 W. Market.  
 Garrett, Phineas, publisher, 339 N. Franklin.  
 Garrett, Rachel T., 403 N. Walnut.  
 Garrett, Rebecca S., 306 W. Barn'd.  
 Garrett, Mrs. Sarah, 203 W. Gay.  
 Garrett, Mrs. Susan C., 121 Dean.  
 Garver, Harriet, dom's., 2 W. Biddle, W. of New.  
 Garwood, Mrs. Margaret J., Fil nds' Boarding Home.  
 Carwood, Rebecca, 225 E. Wash'ton.  
 Gas Co. of West Chester, Thos. P. Worrall, Pres., Mat'l'k, cor. Union.  
 Gatchell, Dr. E. M., V. S., 116 E. Market; h., 164 E. Market.  
 Gatchell, Mrs. M. E., dress maker, 327 W. Gay.  
 Gault, Jas. T., 336 W. Union.  
 Gause, Belle M., 217 S. Walnut.  
 Gause, Mrs. Elizabeth, 217 S. Wal't.  
 Cawthron Robt. S., 314 W. Miner.
- GAY STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL, Gay, E. of Adams.  
 Geary, Patrick, lab., 520 S. Franklin.  
 Geary, John, lab., 520 S. Franklin.  
 Geary, Wm., lab., 520 S. Franklin.  
 Geizer, Adolph G., baker, 123 W. Gay; h., 305 W. Chestnut.  
 Geisel, Frederick, agent Fleischmann & Co., 3 N. Mat'l'k.  
 George, Edward, 4 S. Franklin.  
 George, Dahny E., dom., 516 N. Church.  
 George, Mattie E., 232 E. Gay.  
 Gheen, Arthur P., harness maker, 23 E. Miner.  
 Gheen, Everhart, 211 W. Market.  
 Gheen, Francis H., Jr., actor, 330 N. High.  
 Gheen, Gertrude F., actress, 330 N. High.

- GHEEN, FRANCIS H., CARRIAGE BAZAAR, 27 E. Chestnut; h., 330 N. High.
- Gheen, H. I. n Hunt, stu. 310 N. High
- Gheen, John J., Cornwell, Gheen & Cornwell, S. S. High; h., 320 N. Matlack.
- Gheen, Marian H., music teacher, 330 N. High.
- Gheen, Martha J., 23 E. Miner.
- Gheen, Mary J., 214 W. Barnard.
- Gheen, Phebe J., stu., 33 N. High.
- Gheen, Winslow, turkeys, 211 W. Market.
- Gheen, Wm. B., operator, 315 W. Biddle.
- Gibbs, Micha I. l. 123 W. Fayette.
- Gibbs, Araminta E., 520 E. Miner.
- Gibbs, Enoch P., contractor, 520 E. Miner.
- Gibbs, Jos. H., contractor, 522 E. Miner.
- Gibbs, Laura T., 520 E. Miner.
- Gibbs, Wm., lab., 531 N. Darlington.
- Gibbs, Wm., waiter, 522 E. Miner.
- Gibson, Anna, 225 W. Barnard.
- Gibson, Chas. M., grain merchant, 605 S. Walnut.
- Gibson, Chas. W., printer, 225 W. Barnard.
- Gibson, John T., grinder 225 W. Barn'd.
- Gibson, Percy, clerk, 225 W. Barn'd.
- Gibson, W. Harvey separator works hand, 225 W. Barnard.
- Gifford, Clarence, blacksmith, 396 Nields.
- Gifford, W. M., 234 E. Biddle.
- Gilbert, Frank R., shipping clerk, 628 S. Walnut.
- Gill, Mrs. Anna, 424 S. Matlack.
- Gill, Anna A., teacher, 426 S. Matl'k.
- Gill, A. Jackson, blacksmith, 12 W. Barnard; h., 612 S. Church.
- Gill, Frank, blacksmith, 221 N. Darlington.
- Gill, James J., stu., 426 S. Matlack.
- Gill, Margaret A., 426 S. Matlack.
- Gill, Martin, lab., 426 S. Matlack.
- Gill, Martin J., clerk, 426 S. Matl'k.
- Gill, Mary J., clerk, 426 S. Matlack.
- Gilleland, Miss Mary, 202 W. Market.
- Gillingham, H. A., ticket agent, Mansion House.
- Gilpin, John R., 526 N. Church.
- Gilpin, Vincent, 526 N. Church.
- Ginley, Ada C., waitress, 619 S. New.
- Ginley, Clara N., dom., 619 S. New.
- Ginley, Eber G., far., 619 S. New.
- Ginley, Fred C., florist, 619 S. New.
- Givens, Mrs. Bridget, 229 N. Darlington.
- Gladman, H. Clay, 28 E. Market.
- Gladman, John, barber, E. Market; h., 48 S. Walnut.
- Gladman, Mrs. Louisa, 28 E. Market.
- Gladman, Mabel, stu., 48 S. Walnut.
- Gladman, Robert, local express, 28 E. Market.
- Glasco, B. Frank, huckster, 413 W. Market.
- Glasco, Bennie F., waiter, 413 W. Market.
- Glasco, Benj., waiter, 13 W. Gay.
- Glasgow, Mrs. Lydia, laundress, 229 E. Market.
- Glenn, John R., janitor, 311 N. Darlington.
- Glenn, Mary, dom., 429 S. Walnut.
- Glenn, Wm., painter, 210 W. Washington.
- Glick, John, 341 Hannum Ave.
- Glick, Morris, dry goods, clothing, etc., 242 W. Gay.
- Glick, Samuel, 219 S. Darlington.
- Glisby, Nathan, mach., 211 W. Gay.
- Glisson, Emily, 135 Lovec.
- Glisson, Frank, 233 E. Market.
- Glisson, Harry, spoke worker, 233 E. Market.
- Glisson, Lydia B., 228 W. Miner.
- Glisson, Susan, 233 E. Market.
- Goddard, H. H., 509 S. High.
- Goines, Chas., lab., 235 E. Market.
- Goines, Geo. W., hostler, 31 E. Market.
- Golden, Mrs. Ellen, 129 W. Union.
- Golden, Sarah, dom., 222 N. Church.
- Golden, Sue D., dom., 21 S. Walnut.
- Golder, David M., Deputy Sheriff, 321 S. High.
- Good, B. Frank, driver, 221 S. Matl'k.
- Good, J. Battin, driver, 224 S. Matl'k.
- Goodwin, Anthony, brick maker, 321 S. Adams.
- Goodwin, Clarkson H., engineer, 510 S. Matlack.
- Goodwin, Chas. W., blacksmith, 130 W. Barnard.
- Goodwin, Elmer, brick maker, 321 S. Adams.
- Goodwin, Julia, 321 S. Adams.
- Goodley, Mrs. Jonas, 37 E. Market.
- Goodley, Mabel E., dress maker, 37 E. Market.
- Gordon, Rev. D. Mast, 331 W. Miner.
- Gordon, M. A., 336 W. Miner.
- Gordon, Mabel E., 331 W. Miner.
- Gogas, Susan, 400 S. High.
- Gorman, Mrs. Ellen, 114 E. Wash't n.
- Gorman, Mrs. Ellen, Friends' Boarding Home.
- Gorsuch, Emma, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.
- Cotti r, Eber W., clerk, 62 S. Matl'k.
- Govens, Ephraim, brick maker, 125 S. Worthington.
- Gover, Susan, dom., 413 W. Miner.
- Gover, Walter, servant, 413 W. Miner.
- Gover, Wilmer, help r, 308 W. Miner.
- Graham, Adeline, 235 W. Chestnut.
- Granger, F. Maud, 501 S. Church.
- Grant, Clarence J., ice wagon hand, 133 W. Union.
- Grant, Daniel, lab., 309 W. Chestnut.
- Grant, Harry L., 133 W. Union.
- Grant, Henry, lab., 133 W. Union.
- Grant, J. Norman, 201 W. Barnard.
- Grant, John, contractor, 201 W. Barnard.
- Grant, John, lab., 231 Evans.
- Grant, Mrs. John, 201 W. Barnard.
- Grant, Louise A., 201 W. Barnard.
- Grant, Maggie, ironer, 315 W. Chest't.
- Grant, Rena S., 133 W. Union.
- Grant, Samuel N., mach. 118 S. Wal't.
- Grant, Simon, Boston Clothing House, 49 W. Gay; h., 123 S. Walnut.
- Grant, Thos., 309 W. Chestnut.
- Grant, Wm., brick layer, 201 W. Barnard.
- Grauten, Peter J., cutter, 331 W. Miner.
- Gravelle, Mrs. Nellie, 319 S. High.
- Grawl, Wm., carp., 439 S. Matlack.
- Gray, Bethel, 410 N. Church.
- Gray, Chas. P., 410 N. Church.
- Gray, Frank S., carp., 221 E. Chest't.
- Gray, Griffith, 323 Dean.
- Gray, Hannum W., coach maker, 120 S. Walnut.
- Gray, Jerome B., 410 N. Church.
- Gray, Norman B., clerk, 400 N. Church.
- Gray, Wm., mech., 300 W. Fayette.
- Gray, Wm. H., mech., 121 S. Walnut.
- GREEN TIRE INN, BENJAMIN VANDEVER, PROP., cor. H. High and Gay.
- Green, Annie E., 300 S. Church.
- Green, B. Oscar, printer, 309 S. Ch'h.
- Green, Eliza, dom., 231 S. Matlack.
- Green, Elizabeth, boarding house, 227 E. Market.
- Green, Eoline G., notary public, 11 S. High; h., 300 S. Church.
- Green, Prof. F. H., instructor, S. N. S.
- Green, Fannie, dom., 215 S. Walnut.
- Green, Dr. J. C., dentist, 109 W. Gay.
- Green, John N., upholsterer, 239 S. Matlack.
- Green, Mary, 402 Hannum Ave.
- Green, Oscar, teamster, 13 Pric's Av.
- Green, Mrs. Rebecca, 311 S. Adams.
- Green, Sarah, domes., 331 N. High.
- Green, Wm. D., lab., 423 S. Adams.
- Green, Wm. H., 109 W. Gay.
- Greenfield, Samuel, shoe maker, 213 W. Chestnut.
- Greenfield, Sarah, clothing, 215 E. Market.
- Griesback, Edward, baker, 429 W. Market.
- Griffith, Anna T., 115 W. Barnard.
- Griffith, Ann's F., s'u., 126 E. Barn'd.
- Griffith, Anta G., 11 W. Barnard.
- Griffith, Clark, plumber, 119 Dean.
- Griffith, Emmer G., 115 W. Gay.
- Griffith, Capt. Emerson, 312 W. Union.
- Griffith, E. R. & W. H., carpenters and builders, 211-213 N. High.
- Griffith, E. R., E. R. & W. H. Griffith, builders, N. High; h., 113 Dean.
- Griffith, Evan, 124 Magnolia.
- Griffith, Florence, 332 W. Union.
- Griffith, Geo. W., carp., 11 W. Barn'd.
- Griffith, Harry, carp., 138 Magnolia.
- Griffith, John D., paper hanger, 135 Magnolia.
- Griffith, Jos. H., far., 126 E. Barn'd.
- Griffith, Lydia, 322 W. Gay.
- Griffith, Mabel, 119 Dean.
- Griffith, Mary, 332 W. Union.
- Griffith, Maggie H., 510 S. High.
- Griffith, Minerva, b'k'k'per, 119 Dean.
- Griffith, Phebe, Friends' Boarding Home.
- Griffith, Phebe A., Barclay Home.
- Griffith, Mrs. Rachel, 126 E. Barn'd.
- Griffith, Richard S., 115 W. Barnard.
- Griffith, Sharpless, mech., 7 S. Matl'k.
- Griffith, Susan, 126 E. Barnard.
- Griffith, Wm. H., E. R. & W. H. Griffith, carpenters and builders, h., 510 S. High.
- Grimm, Chas. M., 217 W. Miner.
- Groff, Elizabeth, 338 W. Gay.
- Groff, Howard S., Mansion House.
- Groff, I. Newton, engraver, 338 W. Gay.
- Groff, O. F., Mansion House.
- Groff, Wm. D., Manager Delaware and Atlantic Telegraph and Telephone Co., 27 S. Church.
- Grone, E. M., teacher of drawing, S. N. S.
- Grooms, David C., polisher, 303 N. Darlington.
- Grubb, A. Herbert, dentist, 305 S. Walnut.
- Grubb, Anna M., 305 S. Walnut.
- Grubb, Alfred C., 305 S. Walnut.
- Grubb, W. F., far., 701 S. High.
- Grubb, W. Francis, photographer, 25 N. High; h., 220 W. Chestnut.
- Grubb, W. Wilson, butcher, 220 W. Chestnut.
- Guenther, Eliza, 31 W. Market.
- Guie, Walter S., clerk, Eagle Hotel.
- Gunkle, Louis K., conductor, 405 E. Washington.
- Gunkle, Wm., bartender, 116 N. Darlington.
- Guss, Carrie, 319 S. Church.
- Guss, Elizabeth S., cor. Church and Dean.
- Guss, Miss Elizabeth S., 127 W. Market.
- Guss, Geo. C., lab., 330 W. Wash'ton.
- Guss, Col. Henry R., brick merchant, cor. Church and Dean.
- Guss, Henry R., Ann-x Cigar Store, 31½ W. Market; h., 127 W. Market.
- Guss, John N., att'y., 115 N. High; h., cor. Church and Dean.
- Guss, Mrs. L. A., 127 W. Market.
- Guss, Mrs. Louise Shafer, 42 N. High.
- Guss, Norman, clerk, 345 E. Biddle.
- Guss, Rachel Ann, cor. Church and Dean.
- Guss, Capt. Frank, 246 E. Gay.
- Guss, Wm. L., cor. Church and Dean.
- Guthrie, Chas. D., sailor, 115 S. Wal't.
- Guthrie, John A., engineer, 115 S. Walnut.
- Guy, Margaret C., 140 Dean.
- HACKER, Helen, 408 N. Church.
- Hagerly, Mrs. Washington, 624 S. High.
- Haines, Allawilda, bank clerk, 31 W. Barnard.
- Haines, B. W., notary and bank clerk, 406 N. Church.
- Haines, Caroline Comly, 234 E. Gay.
- Haines, Mrs. Eber D., 312 W. Miner.
- Haines, E. D. & Co., bankers, Jos. T. Murtagh, Mer., 19 N. High.
- Haines, Mrs. Frank, 127 W. Miner.
- Haines, Geo. D., Haines & Shaw, 313 W. Miner.
- Haines, Harry G., clerk, 32 W. Miner.
- Haines, Harry I., 511 N. High.
- Haines, Louisa C., 227 W. Miner.

- HAINES, I. N., COAL DEALER, 309 E. Union; h., 511 N. High.  
 Haines, Mrs. Lydian, 112 W. Gay.  
 Haines, Mary, 511 N. High.  
 Haines, Mary J., kindergarden, 31 W. Barnard.  
 Haines, Sarah D., 305 N. High.  
 Haines & Shaw, groceries and meats, Market and Church.  
 Haines, Mrs. Wm. T., 342 W. Miner.  
 Hale, Harry, lab., 312 W. Chestnut.  
 Hale, Jas., lab., 407 N. New.  
 Hale, Jennie, 410 W. Market.  
 Hale, Wm., fireman, 407 N. New.  
 Haley, Lawrence C., clerk, 316 N. Darlington.  
 Haley, Lizzie A., 316 N. Darlington.  
 Haley, John F., lab., 316 N. Darlington.  
 Haley, John L., lab., 316 N. Darlington.  
 Haley, John S., book keeper, S. E. Gay.  
 Haley, Dr. M. T., dentist, 2d floor, Assembly Building.  
 Haley, Mary E., 316 N. Darlington.  
 Haley, Richard T., fireman, 125 W. Fayette.  
 Haley, Wm. J., every day market, S. E. Gay.  
 Haley, Mrs. Joanna, 112 E. Wash'ton.  
 Haley, Lawrence B., railroader, 112 E. Washington.  
 Haley, Lizzie B., stu., 112 E. Washington.  
 Haley, Ella A., stenographer, 112 E. Washington.  
 Haley, Richard W., nurseryman, 112 E. Washington.  
 Haley, Binkley, wire manuf., W. Market, cor. Bradford Ave.  
 Haley, Annie W., W. Market, cor. Bradford Ave.  
 Haley, Wm. T., driver, 316 N. Darlington.  
 HALL, ALBERT P., DRY GOODS, CAPS, HATS, ETC., 18 N. Church; h., 232 Price.  
 Hall, Albert P., Jr., 501 Price.  
 Hall, C. H., Singer Sewing Machines, c. r. Market and N-w.  
 Hall, Edward H., Sharpless & Hall, 215 N. Walnut; h. 311 N. Matlack.  
 Hall, Ezra H., printer, Daily Local News, 325 Dean.  
 Hall, Glenn W., pressman, Daily Local News, 325 Dean.  
 Hall, Harry M., 325 Dean.  
 Hall, John J., carp., 501 Price.  
 Hall, Lillian D., 516 N. Church.  
 Hall, Louis T., stu., 310 N. Darlington.  
 Hall, Shelrag, dealer, 317 W. Market.  
 Hall, Susanna S., 223 W. Chestnut.  
 Hall, Sarah D., clerk, 301 N. Matlack.  
 Hall, Mrs. Sarah S., 309 N. Matlack.  
 Hall, Wm. H., foreman, 325 Dean.  
 Hall, Wm. T., 18 S. Matlack.  
 Hall, W. Hibberd, tester, 223 W. Chestnut.  
 Hall, Walter E., clerk, 501 Price.  
 Hall, Wilbur, electrician, 3d floor, Assembly Building.  
 Hall, Willis P., 516 N. Church.  
 Hallman, Harriet R., dom., 107 S. Walnut.  
 Hallahan, Maggie, chambermaid, Eagle Hotel.  
 Holliday, Wm. H., waiter, Hannum Ave.  
 Hamilton, Bessie, 133 E. Miner.  
 Hamilton, Della J., 130 W. Barnard.  
 Hamilton, Mrs. Elizabeth, 133 E. Miner.  
 Hampton, Harrison, Central Restaurant, 9 N. High; h., 221 S. Walnut.  
 Hamilton, John A., mach., 133 E. Miner.  
 Hamilton, Norbert B., salesman, 133 E. Miner.  
 Hamilton, Sue, 133 E. Miner.  
 Hampton, Hannah L., 23 S. Church.  
 Hampton, Jos. M., spoke mill hand, 130 W. Barnard.  
 Hampton, Mrs. Mary E., dress maker, 120 W. Barnard.  
 Hammond, Arthur B., druggist, 13 N. Church.  
 Hammond, Mrs. A. E. trimmings and notions, 27 N. Church.  
 Hammond, Gertrude S., 106 S. Ch'h.  
 Hammond, Chas. M., optician and drug clerk, 317 W. Union.  
 Hammond, H. N., clerk, 106 S. Ch'h.  
 Hammond, Jas., messenger, 27 N. Church.  
 Hammond, Marion A., 106 S. Church.  
 Hammond, N. E., drug., 103 S. Ch'h.  
 Hammond, Samuel K., druggist, 6 W. Market; h., 315 S. Walnut.  
 Handy, Emma H., 300 E. Gay.  
 Hannams, J. B. & E., 255 E. Chest't.  
 Hannams, A. J., flour, feed and grain, S. E. cor. Gay and Darlington.  
 Hannams, John E., manager, A. J. Hannams, 158 W. Gay.  
 Hannum, Ann H., 124 W. Miner.  
 Hannum, Ann P., 124 W. Miner.  
 Hannum, Caroline Hughes, 322 N. Matlack.  
 Hannum, Curtis H., 322 N. Matlack.  
 Hannum, C. other ne M., 124 W. Miner.  
 Hannum, Clyde S., mach., 31 S. High.  
 Hannum, Chas. W., engineer, 131 E. Barnard.  
 Hannum, Enoch S., 141 E. Marshall.  
 Hannum, Hiram W., carp., 31 S. High.  
 Hannum, Mrs. John A., 121 W. Miner.  
 Hannum, Katie, 322 N. High.  
 Hannum, Lawrence, stu., 131 E. Barnard.  
 Hannum, Mary R., 124 W. Miner.  
 Hannum, Wilmer T., 39 S. High.  
 Hand, John, far., 219 N. Darlington.  
 Hand, Conrad A., 408 N. Church.  
 Hansell, Walter D., conductor, 221 W. Chestnut.  
 Hanway, Jos. F., 110 W. Market.  
 Happersett, D. W., blacksmith, r. ar of Mansion House stables; h., 21 E. Gay.  
 Happersett, M. & Mary, 24 E. Gay.  
 Hare, Jas., foundryman, 497 N. N. W.  
 Hare, John C., grocer, cor. Gay and High; h., 329 S. High.  
 Hare, Wm., fireman, 405 N. New.  
 Hare, Charles, instructor, S. N. S.  
 Hardy, Mrs. Anna T., 231 S. Walnut.  
 Hardy, Ida, domestic, 310 E. Biddle.  
 Hardness, J. T., clothier and fur- nisher, 21 W. Gay; h., 441 S. High.  
 Harlan, Mrs. Mary, 359 E. Biddle.  
 Harlan, Sadie J., stu., E. Biddle, ington.  
 Harlan, Sara J., 37 S. High.  
 Harlan, Wm. H., lab., 217 N. Darlington.  
 Harly, Mrs. Annie, 279 E. Chestnut.  
 Harley, Mrs. Evelyn V., 113 S. High.  
 Harley, John, teamster, 221 W. Washington.  
 Harley, Maggie, dom., 445 N. Wal't.  
 Harley, Mrs. Sarah, 221 W. Wash- ington.  
 Harmon, Mary, 416 E. Gay.  
 Harmon, Theo., junk dealer, 406 E. Harp.  
 Harp, Frank P., moulder, 19 S. N-w.  
 Harp Wm. H., moulder, 13 W. Union.  
 Hartman, Mrs. Joshua, 19 E. Wash- ington.  
 Hartman, J. K., drugs, 35 W. Market.  
 Hartman, Mrs. M. J., 115 E. Market.  
 Hartshorne, Mrs. M. K., W. Mar- shall, bet. Church and High.  
 Hastings, Mrs. Maria, 328 W. Miner.  
 Harris, Mrs. Annie T., 426 Dean.  
 Harris, E. Park, druggist, 426 Dean.  
 Harris, Mary Jane, 623 E. Miner.  
 Harris, Mattie, 623 E. Miner.  
 Harris, Wm. H., 623 E. Miner.  
 Harris, Wm. S., att'y, 121 N. High; h., 600 S. Walnut.  
 Harris, Wm., 333 W. Market.  
 Harry, Sarah E., 121 W. Union.  
 Harvey, Alva C., helper, 343 W. Gay.  
 Harvey, Elizabeth H., 343 W. Gay.  
 Harvey, Mrs. Francis V., 304 S. Wal't.  
 Harvey, Harry, helper, 343 W. Gay.  
 Harvey, Mary R., 343 W. Gay.  
 Harvey, Mrs. F. M., 304 S. Walnut.  
 Hause, Davis, insurance agent, 12 N. High, h., 107 S. Walnut.  
 Hause, J. Frank E., att'y, 127 N. High; h., 614 S. High.  
 Hause, Harry H., stenographer, 107 S. Walnut.  
 Hause, Hannah, 13 Normal Ave.  
 Hauslett, Leonard, driver, 614 S. Church.  
 Haverstick, W. F., photographer, 3 S. High; h., 211 W. Market.  
 Haviland, W. S., 232 W. Gay.  
 Hawley, Anna W., 222 S. Walnut.  
 HAWLEY, HOWARD, HARD- WARE, 37 W. Market; h., 222 S. Walnut.  
 Haws, Humphrey, 117 N. Darlington.  
 Haws, L. Jennie, saleslady, 117 N. Darlington.  
 Hayden, Mrs. Annie, 303 Dean.  
 Hayden, B. Rose, 303 Dean.  
 Hayden, Henry, P. O. special deliv- ery, 303 Dean.  
 Hayes, Anna J., 106 S. High.  
 Hayes, Benjamin, 106 S. High.  
 Hayes, C. R. J., Wm. S. Hayes & Son, 9 W. Biddle.  
 Hayes, Daniel, puddler, 1 Hender- son's Court.  
 Hayes, Mrs. E. R., 335 W. Miner.  
 Hayes, Ed. H., bartender, 137 E. Miner.  
 Hayes, J. Carroll, att'y, 314 E. Biddle.  
 Hayes, John, painter, 137 E. Miner.  
 Hayes, Mary, dress maker, 137 E. Miner.  
 Hayes, Maggie J., 721 S. High.  
 Hayes, Morr's W., dealer in horses, 721 S. High.  
 Hayes, Nathan B., 721 S. High.  
 Hayes, Mrs. Nathan T., Green Tree Hotel.  
 Hayes, T. Parke, stu., 108 W. Market.  
 Hayes, R. L., Sheriff, 22 S. Church.  
 Hayes, Thos., moulder, 285 N. High.  
 Hayes, Wm. M., att'y, N. High; h., Church and Marshall.  
 HAYES, WM. S. & SON, WALL PAPER AND WINDOW SHADES, 108 W. Market.  
 Hazard, Eliz., dom., 16 N. Wayne.  
 Hazzard, Cyrus, cock, 320 E. Miner.  
 Hazzard, Geo. H., spoke mill hand, 417 W. Union.  
 Hazzard, John T., spoke mill hand, 417 W. Union.  
 Hazzard, Jos. P., shoe maker, 518 E. Miner.  
 Hazzard, Mrs. M. H., stenograph r., 120 W. Market.  
 Hazzard, Milton, 324 N. Darlington.  
 Hazzard, Solomon, blacksmith, 129 S. Matlack.  
 Hazzard, Thos. P., 422 E. Miner.  
 Heald, Ada, Gay and New.  
 Heald, Abbie B., Gay and N-w.  
 Heald, A. D., restaurant, cor. Ch'h and Gay; h., 118 S. Darlington.  
 Heald, Frank, West Ch'ster H use, Gay and New.  
 Heald, Harry P., architect, Gay and New.  
 Heald's Restaurant, A. D. Heald, basement, N. W. cor. Church and Gay.  
 Heald, Warren, Gay and New.  
 Healy, John H., foreman, 236 W. Heath, Jennie C., assistant, S. N. S.  
 Heatley, Mrs. C. th r n , 419 N. N-w.  
 Heatley, Frank, mach., 119 N. New. Barnard.  
 Heck, Mrs. A. E., hair artist, 134 W. Union.  
 Heck, Jane, 141 E. Market.  
 Heck, H. and R., carp., 131 W. Union.  
 Heck, W. Lewis, mach., 306 W. Fayette.  
 Heed, Carrie W., 324 W. Miner.  
 Heed, Edith R., 24 N. Darlington.  
 Heed, Edna, 322 W. Union.  
 Heed, Frank D., 122 E. Gay.  
 Heed, Fred., Supt. West Ch'ster Cold Storage Co., 24 N. Darl'oa.  
 Heed, Fred., Jr., 21 N. Darlington.  
 Heed, Geo., teller Nat. Bank of Ches. Co., 324 W. Miner.  
 Heed, Howard D., mach., 122 E. Gay.  
 Heed, John C., reporter, 122 E. Gay.  
 Heed, Mary L., stu., 24 N. Darl'oa.  
 Heed, Mrs. Samuel S., 324 W. Miner.  
 Heed, Walter, 24 N. Darlington.  
 Heed, W. W., hatter, 22 W. Gay; h., 322 W. Union.  
 Hemphill, Benton, lab., 1 Hender- son's Court.  
 Hemphill, Caroline S., 233 N. Dar- lington.

- Hemphill, Clara, 220 W. Gay.  
 Hemphill, Miss Dorothy, 125 E. Chestnut.  
**HEMPILL, E. DALLETT.**  
 FLOUR, FEED AND GRAIN,  
 9 N. High; h., 220 W. Gay.  
 Hemphill, E. Dallett, Jr., student  
 at law, 220 W. Gay.  
 Hemphill, Eliza, 220 W. Gay.  
 Hemphill, Elizabeth A., 24 W. Gay.  
 Hemphill, H. Cliff., crier, 233 N.  
 Darlington.  
 Hemphill, Jos., Judge of Ches. Co.  
 Courts, 312 S. Walnut.  
 Hemphill, Dr. Jos., 212 W. Miner.  
 Hemphill, Lillie, 312 S. Walnut.  
 Hemphill, Margaret C., purchasing  
 agent, 204 W. Gay.  
 Hemphill, Margaret C., 401 S. Ch'h.  
 Hemphill, Mary, 401 S. Church.  
 Hemphill, Mary S., 125 E. Chestnut.  
 Hemphill, Rebecca, 220 W. Gay.  
 Hemphill, Ross, 233 N. Darlington.  
 Hemphill, Robt. C., salesman, 401 S.  
 Church.  
 Hemphill, Mrs. Wm., 125 E. Chest't.  
 Hemphill, Wm. H., pattern maker,  
 312 S. Walnut.  
 Hemsley, Chas., brick maker, 317  
 S. Adams.  
 Hemsley, Maggie, 433 S. Adams.  
 Hemsley, Rebecca, 317 S. Adams.  
 Hennesy, John., tobacconist, 31 N.  
 Church; h., 19 Price.  
 Hennessey, Katie W., tailoress, 403  
 W. Market.  
 Hennessey, Mary F., dress maker,  
 403 W. Market.  
 Hennessey, M. Charles L., 403 W. Market.  
 Henderson, Elizabeth, 117 W. Barn'd.  
 Henderson, Mary J., dress maker,  
 306 E. Miner.  
 Henderson, Mrs. M. T., 313 E. Miner.  
 Hendrickson, H. T., driver, 233 E.  
 Chestnut.  
 Henny, Angeline, 428 W. Chestnut.  
 Henny, Paschall, lab., 428 W. Chest't.  
 Henry, Mrs. A., dress maker, 105  
 W. Market.  
 Henry, A., harness and bicycles, 107  
 W. Market; h., 105 W. Market.  
 Henry, Chas. L., cook, 403 E. Barn'd.  
 Henry, Geo., driver, 316 S. Matlack.  
 Henry, James, 22 N. New.  
 Henry, Maggie M., 403 E. Barnard.  
 Henry, R. A., cameras, 107 W. Mar-  
 ket; h., 105 W. Market.  
 Henry, Rev. Townsend W., 403 E.  
 Barnard.  
 Hepburn, Ada, 331 E. Miner.  
 Hepburn, Bertha, 331 E. Miner.  
 Hepburn, C. F., 331 E. Miner.  
 Hepburn, Gertrude, 331 E. Miner.  
 Herkins, Mary E., 215 W. Barnard.  
 Herkins, Priscilla G., 215 W. Barn'd.  
 Herod, Mary, 113 S. Worthington.  
 Hershberger, Walter, tailor, 19 S.  
 Church.  
 Heston, Benj. E., mailing clerk, 223  
 E. Washington.  
 Heston, Howard, messenger, 309 N.  
 Matlack.  
 Hetherington, Geo. A., foundryman,  
 121 E. Market.  
 Hetherington, Howard L., mach.,  
 121 E. Market.  
 Hetherington, John J., painter, 121  
 E. Market.  
 Hetherington, Oliver I., rimmer, 121  
 E. Market.  
 Heustis, Jane, 329 Dean.  
 Hewett, Chas., printer, 320 W.  
 Washington.  
 Hewett, Mary, 320 W. Washington.  
 Hewett, Robt. C., carriage trimmer,  
 320 W. Washington.  
 Hibberd, Anna J., nurse, 127 E.  
 Washington.  
 Hibberd, Elizabeth, 27 Dean.  
 Hibberd, Emma, 133 E. Market.  
 Hibberd, Geo. O., 17 E. Wash'ng'on.  
 Hibberd, Mrs. John E., boarding  
 house, 133 E. Market.  
 Hibberd, John E., fruit dealer, 142  
 E. Market; h., 133 E. Market.  
 Hibberd, Mary, 27 Dean.  
 Hice, Eva May, dress maker, 226 S.  
 Matlack.  
 Hice, Elmer E., mech., 228 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Hice, Levi M., mech., 226 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Hice, Winfield S., mech., 226 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Hickey, David, lab., 122 S. Matlack.  
 Hickey, Jas., Jr., brick layer, 28 E.  
 Hickey, Maggie, dom., 217 W. Miner.  
 Miner.  
 Hickey, Thos., carp., 28 E. Miner.  
 Hickman, Anita K., 309 S. Walnut.  
 Hickman, Clara, 117 W. Barnard.  
 Hickman, Clarence D., carp., 131 S.  
 Darlington.  
 Hickman, Edith, teacher, 117 W.  
 Barnard.  
 Hickman, Elizabeth C., 115 W. Gay.  
 Hickman, Ellwood, 117 W. Barnard.  
 Hickman, E. B., & Sons, agricul-  
 tural implements and farmers'  
 supplies, 316 E. Gay.  
 Hickman, Eugene, engineer, 316 E.  
 Gay.  
 Hickman, F. Sharpless, printer, 44  
 W. Gay; h., 300 S. Walnut.  
 Hickman, Geo. B., stock dealer, 209  
 W. Market.  
 Hickman, Hannah, 115 E. Chestnut.  
 Hickman, Harry G., 313 N. High.  
 Hickman, Jean O., 313 N. High.  
 Hickman, Lewis M., E. B. Hickman  
 & Sons, 316 E. Gay.  
 Hickman, Lillie, 316 E. Gay.  
 Hickman, Lizzie C., 115 W. Gay.  
 Hickman, Matilda, 115 W. Gay.  
 Hickman, Mrs. Mary 114 S. High.  
 Hickman, Mrs. Marshall B., 202 W.  
 Market.  
 Hickman, Nat., broker, 30 W. Mar-  
 ket; h., 207 W. Miner.  
 Hickman, Samuel G., broker, 30 W.  
 Market; h., 207 W. Miner.  
 Hickman, Wellington, 313 N. High.  
 Hickman, Wm. E., 4 W. Market.  
 Hicks, Andrew W., barber, 30 E.  
 Market.  
**HIGH STREET PUBLIC SCHOOL,**  
 Grammar and Primary Depts.,  
 High, S. of Dean.  
 Higgins, Agnes, dom., 322 W. Union.  
 Higgins, Agnes E., dom., 314 W.  
 Washington.  
 Higgins, E., dress maker, 14 W. Gay.  
 Higgins, Mrs. Emma Lippincott,  
 teacher, 3d floor, Assembly  
 Building.  
 Higgins, Mary E., dom., 111 S. Ch'h.  
 Higgins, Julia, dress maker, 14 W. Gay.  
 Higgins, Mary, dom., 314 W. Wash-  
 ington.  
 Higgins, Mrs. Mary, 314 W. Wash-  
 ington.  
 Higgins, Mrs. Mary, 212 N. Franklin.  
 Higgins, Mary, 209 W. Gay.  
 Highley, Edna, stu., 128 E. Union.  
 Highley, Wm., nurseryman, 128 E.  
 Union.  
 Hill, David, waiter, 110 Poplar.  
 Hill, Deborah Ann, 537 S. Franklin.  
 Hill, Isabelle, 120 W. Market.  
 Hill, Helen, laundress, 537 S. Fr'kl'n.  
 Hill, John L., motorman, 310 N. Dar-  
 lington.  
 Hill, Jos. F., bookkeeper, 239 Dean.  
 Hill, Mary S., 120 W. Market.  
 Hill, Norris, mach., 537 S. Franklin.  
 Hill, Percy, lab., 537 S. Franklin.  
 Hill, Ruthie, 119 Poplar.  
 Hill, Wm., lab., 317 E. Barnard.  
 Hill, Wm., wheel works hand, 537 S.  
 Franklin.  
 Hill, Wm. S., Jr., jeweler, 6 N.  
 Church; h., 120 W. Market.  
 Hill, Wm. S., Sr., jeweler, 6 N.  
 Church; h., 120 W. Market.  
 Hillegars, H. M., cigar dealer,  
 wholesale and retail, 33 W. Mar-  
 ket.  
 Hilton, Jos. H., clerk, 128 W. Chest't.  
 Himelright, Edna R., 212 W. Barn'd.  
 Himelright, Emily E., 212 W. Barn'd.  
 Himelright, Mary J., 212 W. Barn'd.  
 Himelright, Margaret E., 212 W.  
 Barnard.  
 Himelright, Ida M., 212 W. Barn'd.  
 Himelright, S. Atwood, 212 W. Bar-  
 nard.  
 Hines, J. M., fresh and salt meats,  
 cor. Barnard and Darlington; h.,  
 202 S. Darlington.
- Hinkel, Chas. H., clerk, 218 Price.  
 Hinson, Anna A., dom., 304 W. Miner.  
 Hite, Geo. Z., spoke mill hand, 233  
 Dean.  
 Hoagland, Mrs. P. D., 423 S. Church.  
 Hoagland, Virginia, 423 S. Chu ch.  
 Hoar, Jas. M., grocer, 124 W. Mar-  
 ket; h., 126 W. Market.  
 Hobart, Frank, driver, 140 W. Market.  
 Hobbs, Wm., barber, 1 S. Church;  
 h., 122 S. Darlington.  
 Hodge, Ann, dom., 233 S. Walnut.  
 Hodgson, Edward A., Jr., brick  
 layer, 133 W. Barnard.  
 Hodgson, Edward A., Sr., carriage  
 painter, 133 W. Barnard.  
 Hodgson, Jas. N., steno-yper, Daily  
 Local News, 133 W. Barnard.  
**HODGSON, W. M. II., PROP. DAILY  
 LOCAL NEWS,** 104 S. Church.  
 Hodgson, Walter D., Daily Local  
 News, 13 S. High.  
 Hoffman, Chas. O., clerk, 111 E. Gay.  
 Hoffman, Clara, 418 Hannum Ave.  
 Hoffman, Jennie B., notary public,  
 book keeper, 327 W. Union.  
 Hoffman, J. Roberts, 327 W. Union.  
 Hogan, Katie, waitress, 211 W.  
 Market.  
 Hogans, Chas., brick maker, 513 E.  
 Barnard.  
 Hoge, Edward, life insurance, 107 S.  
 Church.  
 Hogue, Helena M., 503 N. High.  
 Hogue, Julia S., 503 N. High.  
 Hogue, Mary J., 503 S. High.  
 Hogue, T. C., groceries, cor. High  
 and Gay; h., 503 N. High.  
 Holding, Archibald M., att'y, 125 N.  
 High; h., 204 S. Walnut.  
 Holding, Mrs. M. Fedora, trimm-  
 ings and notions, 22 N. Church;  
 h., 304 S. Walnut.  
 Holiday, Margaret A., 308 E. Miner.  
 Hollobush, Mrs. Rebecca, Friends'  
 Boarding Home.  
 Holmes, Mary I., 602 S. High.  
 Hong, Lee, laundryman, 106 W.  
 Market.  
 Hood, David, Western investments,  
 402 N. Church.  
 Hood, Mrs. Irene, 316 W. Wash'ton.  
 Hood, Levi M., shoemaker, 13 S.  
 Worthington.  
 Hood, Mary, 402 N. Church.  
 Hood, Sallie, 13 S. Worthington.  
 Hoopes, Abbie Ann, 121 N. Darl'ton.  
 Hoopes, Abner, Hoopes, Bro. &  
 Thomas, nurseries, Maple Ave.  
 Hoopes, Mrs. Abigail, 202 Price.  
 Hoopes, Allan, Drumbie, 234 E. Gay.  
 Hoopes, Mrs. Anna M., 21 S. New.  
 Hoopes, Anna R., 401 W. Union.  
 Hoopes, Anna R., 20 W. Chestnut.  
 Hoopes, Arthur, Supt. Ches. Co.  
 Tel. Co., 405 N. Franklin.  
 Hoopes, Bro. & Darlington, Wheel  
 Works, Wm. Hoopes, Thos.  
 Hoopes, Ed. S. Darlington, E.  
 Market.  
**HOOPES, MRS. B. T., LADIES'  
 AND GENTS' FURNISHINGS,**  
 Gay and Church. (See Adv.)  
 Hoopes, Carrie M., 401 W. Union.  
 Hoopes, Chas. R., clerk, 411 N.  
 Franklin.  
 Hoopes, Cyrus D., brick layer, 257  
 E. Market.  
 Hoopes, Deborah A., 211 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Edward G., 412 W. Miner.  
 Hoopes, E. C., printer, 28 W. Mar-  
 ket; cigars, 224 E. Market; h.,  
 214 E. Gay.  
 Hoopes, Edward R., 233 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Edwin A., 511 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Edmund D., buyer of wheat  
 and spoke timber, 231 E. Gay.  
 Hoopes, Elizabeth W., 20 W. Chest't.  
 Hoopes, Emily, 405 N. Franklin.  
**HOOPES E. MALIN, GENERAL  
 STORE,** 131-133 W. Gay; h., 20  
 W. Chestnut. (See Adv.)  
 Hoopes, Elizabeth Comly, 231 E. Gay.  
 Hoopes, Ellen, 202 Price.  
 Hoopes, Florence H., stenographer,  
 208 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Frank S., mach., 340 W.  
 Miner.

- Hoopes, F. Josephine, 234 E. Gay.  
 Hoopes, Franklin W., mech., 20 N. Darlington.  
 Hoops, Georgeanna, 211 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Mrs. Hannah E., 491 W. Union.  
 Hoopes, Hannah S., 208 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Mrs. Harriet E., Barclay Home.  
 Hoopes, Henry R., bicycles and Kodak supplies, 115 W. Market; h., 511 W. Miner.  
 Hoopes, Herbert B., telephone operator, 21 S. New.  
 Hoopes, Ida E., 401 W. Union.  
 Hoopes, Isaac P., casher, 15 S. Ch. h.  
 Hoopes, John, loans, 412 W. Miner.  
 Hoopes, J. Temple, 201 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Josiah, Hoopes, Bro., & Thomas, nurseries, Maple Ave.; h., N. Penn.  
 Hoopes, Jos. J., clerk, 37 W. Gay; h., 208 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Levi L., cabinet maker, 125 N. Darlington.  
 Hoopes, Dr. Levi, 15 S. Church.  
 Hoopes, Lillie M., 257 E. Market.  
 Hoopes, L. Jewell, telegraph operator, 15 S. Church.  
 Hoopes, Lewis B., draughtsman, Gay and Church.  
 Hoopes, Margaret H., 340 W. Miner.  
 Hoopes, Mary W., operator, 21 S. New.  
 Hoopes, Norman H., 234 E. Gay.  
 Hoopes, Passmore W., Jr., mech., 208 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Pasmore W., Sr., clerk, 208 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Phebe, nurse, Ches. Co. Hospital.  
 Hoopes, Philena, 125 E. Union.  
 HOOPES, RALSTON R., COAL AND WOOD, Matlack, S. of Barnard; h., 233 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Rettie W., 15 S. Church.  
 Hoopes, Robert F., 33 S. High.  
 Hoopes, Ruth L., 412 W. Miner.  
 Hoopes, Ruthanna, 124 N. Darlington.  
 Hoopes, Russell, Manager Spoke Works, 341 E. Biddle.  
 Hoopes, Sallie W., 511 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Samuel H., butter worker, 42 W. Miner.  
 Hoopes, Samuel, agent, 125 W. Gay.  
 Hoopes, Mrs. Susan B., 370 W. Miner.  
 Hoopes, Thomas, Hoopes, Bro., & Darlington, 400 E. Works, E. Market; h., 405 N. Franklin.  
 Hoopes, Walter, wheelwright, 623 S. Walnut.  
 Hoops, Wilmer W., Hoopes, Bro. & Thomas, nurseries, Maple Ave.  
 Hoopes, Wm. R., clerk, 233 S. Walnut.  
 Hoopes, Wm., Hoopes, Bro. & Darlington, 333 N. Franklin.  
 Hoopes, Wm., 310 W. Miner.  
 Hoopes, Wm. W., clerk, 412 W. Miner.  
 Hoops, Viola H., 412 W. Miner.  
 Hopewell, Elizabeth, 117 E. Chestnut.  
 Hopewell, Wm. J., wheelwright, 21 E. Chestnut; h., 117 E. Chestnut.  
 Hopper, Emma, 295 Sherpliss.  
 Hopkin, Elizabeth W., 525 S. Walnut.  
 Hopkin, Mrs. Henry, 525 S. Walnut.  
 Hopkins, Chas. B., 216 W. Fayette.  
 Hopkins, Mrs. Jane, 229 Evans.  
 Hopkins, Jennie, 329 W. Market.  
 Hopkins, Walter, hostler, 329 W. Market.  
 Hooton, Col. F. C., att'y, 18 N. High; h., Matlack, N. of Chestnut.  
 Hoot n, Mary Penrose, Matlack, N. of Chestnut.  
 Hooton, Col. Matt, office in Regular Army, Matlack, N. of Chestnut.  
 Hopkins, Kate H., 300 E. Gay.  
 Horstman, Wm. D., 243 W. Miner.  
 Hoskins, Emily L., 13 S. Church.  
 Hoskins, Eliza A., 241 W. Barnard.  
 Hoskins, Geo., roof painter and carpenter, 210 S. Walnut.  
 Hoskins, Herford H., clerk, 210 S. Walnut.  
 Hoskins, John R., 13 S. Church.  
 Hoskins, Dr. Percy C., 13 S. Church.  
 Hoskins, Thos. L., 13 S. Church.  
 Hoss, Benj. S., butcher, 10 W. Biddle.
- House, Lydia W., 27 W. Union.  
 House, Phebe J., 27 W. Union.  
 House, Sallie D., 27 W. Union.  
 House, W. E., 235 W. Miner.  
 Houck, Morris, spoke mill hand, 248 E. Gay.  
 Houck, Evan, spoke mill hand, 218 E. Gay.  
 Howard, Hannah H., 218 S. Walnut.  
 Howard, Margaretta, 411 E. Barn'd  
 Howe, John E., spoke maker, 132 E. Miner.  
 Huber, Chas., baker, 136 E. Gay.  
 Huber, Wm., baker, 220 S. Mat'k.  
 Huddelson, Alice, 150 W. Gay.  
 Huey, Miss A. M., 122 S. Church.  
 Hughes, Benj. S., printer, Daily Local News, 208 S. Darlington.  
 Hughes, Elizabeth, 106 E. Biddle.  
 Hughes, Geo. S., blacksmith, 208 S. Darlington.  
 Hughes, Mrs. Lydia Ann., 115 E. Biddle.  
 Hughes, Palmer J., carp., 135 W. Union.  
 Hughes, Silas F., far., 431 N. N. w.  
 Hughes, Wm. H., 214 S. Church.  
 Hughes, Wm. J., far., 431 N. New.  
 Humpton, Albert, plumber, 208 W. Barnard.  
 Humpton, Armand, printer, 208 W. Barnard.  
 Humpton, Harry J., spoke mill hand, 15 S. High.  
 Humpton, Laura May, 203 W. Barn'd  
 Humpton, Richard O., tin and sheet iron worker, 208 W. Barnard.  
 Hummell, Evitt H., baggage agent.  
 Hunt, Abbie Fay, 15 W. Barnard.  
 Hunt, Ada E., dress maker, 15 W. Barnard.  
 Hunt, Mrs. Elizabeth, 15 W. Barn'd  
 Hunt, Jennie B., milliner, 15 W. Barnard.  
 Hunt, Jos. H., carp., 15 W. Barn'd  
 Hunt, Wm. T., reporter, Daily Local News, 112 W. Union.  
 Husted, W. C., teller, 1st Nat. Bank, 315 S. High.  
 Husted, Wm. V., shoe maker, 24 E. Gay.  
 Huston, J. Newton, att'y, reporter, Daily Local News, 15 S. High.  
 Hutchison, Mrs. A. E., trimmings and notions, 29 N. Church.  
 Hutchison, Clara B., clerk, 29 N. Church.  
 Hutchison, David, Mgr. Allerton Creamery, 29 N. Church.  
 Hutton, Wm., salesman, 22 N. Walt.  
 Hysham, Mrs. Fannie P., 600 S. Walnut.
- INGRAM, Wm. C., insurance agent, 21 S. Walnut.  
 Ingram, Alban P., Sr., Assessor, 409 W. Union.  
 Ingram, Alban P., Jr., brick mason, 419 Dean.  
 Ingram, Albert M., jeweler, 132 W. Chestnut.  
 Ingram, Anna M., 409 W. Union.  
 Ingram, Mrs. E. D., 212 W. Miner.  
 Ingram, E. Mae, 409 W. Union.  
 Ingram, Elsie, 255 E. Market.  
 Ingram, Francis T., carp., 132 W. Chestnut.  
 Ingram, Frank, brick layer, 211 W. Market.  
 Ingram, Fred. T., carp., 132 W. Chestnut.  
 Ingram, J. J., railroad agent, 255 E. Market.  
 Ingram, John F., clerk, 332 W. Gay.  
 Ingram, Norris S., clerk, 132 W. Chestnut.  
 Ingram, Wm. A. S., blacksmith, 17-19 S. Matlack; h., 255 E. Market.  
 Ivy, Major lab., 111 S. Worthington.
- JACK, Hayes, driver, 125 W. Barnard.  
 Jackson, Abiah F., 527 E. Barnard.  
 Jackson, Anna L., confectioner, 514 S. Matlack.  
 Jackson, Arthur, s'n., 633 E. Miner.  
 Jackson, Clinton S., spoke mill hand, 218 W. Miner.  
 Jackson, Emma, 223 W. Ch. stnut.  
 Jackson, Evan R., mgr. hotel yards, 122 E. Biddle.  
 Jackson, Edward, electrician, 531 S. Matlack.  
 Jackson, Mrs. Emily, 218 S. Mat'k.  
 Jackson, Geo. W., mech., 514 S. Mat'k.  
 Jackson, Geo. C., mech, 514 S. Mat'k.  
 Jackson, Halliday, mech., 310 W. Fayette.  
 Jackson, Halliday, stu., 310 W. Fayette.  
 Jackson, Henry, lab., 227 E. Market.  
 Jackson, Jas., blacksmith, 633 E. Miner.  
 Jackson, Jas. W., grocer, 109 S. Worthington.  
 Jackson, Jane, 126 E. Gay.  
 Jackson, John A., 332 W. Miner.  
 Jackson, John A., Jr., blacksmith, rear of Gay, E. of Walnut; h., 322 W. Miner.  
 Jackson, Katie, mail carrier, 527 E. Barnard.  
 Jackson, Mrs. Mary, Virginia Ave.  
 Jackson, Milton B., butcher, Mark t House; h., 5 S. High.  
 Jackson, Oliver E., 122 E. Biddle.  
 Jackson, R. W., house cleaner, 113 S. Penn.  
 Jackson, Ruth C., 122 E. Biddle.  
 Jackson, Thos. H., 343 E. Biddle.  
 Jackson, Wm., lab., 314 E. Market.  
 Jackson, Wm., mech., 234 S. Mat'k.  
 Jacobs, Mrs. Anna M., 127 Lacey.  
 Jacobs, Carol B., att'y, 5 W. Gay; h., 13 W. Gay.  
 Jacobs, Fanny M., Mansion House.  
 Jacobs, Florence B., 13 W. Gay.  
 Jacobs, Francis, 5 W. Gay; h., 13 W. Gay.  
 Jacobs, Francis, Jr., medical student, 13 W. Gay.  
 Jacobs, Jessie B., bookkeeper, 127 Lacey.  
 Jacobs, Mary D., Man-in House.  
 Jacobs, Rutherford B. H., electrical instruments, 127 Lacey.  
 James, Amelia, 128 W. Miner.  
 James, Anna Estella, 107 S. Church.  
 JAMES BROS., PLUMBERS, STEAM HEATERS, HOUSE FURNISHINGS, ETC., 20 N. Church.  
 James, Chas., painter, 36 W. Gay.  
 James, Edwin C. W., Market, cor. Bradford Ave.  
 James, Emma, 200 N. Church.  
 James, Frank W., James Bros., 227 W. Miner.  
 James, Hickman, James Bros., 197 N. Church.  
 James, Joseph, keeper of prison, 235 W. Market.  
 James, Mabel H., clerk, 235 W. Market.  
 James, Prof. C. S., 314 W. Union.  
 James, Mrs. Sue F., 107 S. Church.  
 James, Wm. H., James Bros., N. Church; h., 227 W. Miner.  
 James, Wellington C., 227 W. Miner.  
 James, Zenas B., milkman, 404 N. Darlington.  
 Jamison, Eva, cook, 308 W. Miner.  
 Jamison, S. B., milk depot, 201 W. Union.  
 Jane, Rebecca, 10 Poplar.  
 Jardine, Miss A. I., 122 S. Church.  
 Jardine, Mary C., 122 S. Church.  
 Jarrett, Frank L., driver, alley N. of Marshall.  
 Jay, Anna, cook, 106 S. High.  
 Jay, Annie, dom., 11 S. Worthington.  
 Jefferis, E. G., conductor, 122 E. Chestnut.  
 Jefferis, Ellis, carp., 23 E. Market.  
 Jefferis, Mrs. Lydia T., 5 W. Biddle.  
 JEFFERIS PLUMBER & CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER, 114 S. High. (See Adv.)  
 Jefferis, Robt. O., Chief of Police, 515 S. High.  
 Jefferis, Sara L., sal-slady, 231 E. Market.  
 JEFFERSONIAN THE WEEKLY, W. H. HODGSON, PUBLISHER, 12 S. High.  
 Jenkins, Chas., lab., 135 W. Gay.

- Jenkins, Chas., Jr., 435 W. Gay.  
 Jenkins, Elizabeth, 313 N. DuPont.  
 Jenkins, Evan, lab., 313 N. DuPont.  
 Jenkins, John, engineer, 363 E. Biddle.  
 Jenkins, Mary, 445 W. Gay.  
 Jenkins, Willie, 445 W. Gay.  
 Jenkinson, Mary M., 125 E. Wash'ton.  
 Jennings, Carl, barber, 28 E. Market.  
 Jer, Ho L'n, laundryman, 124 W. Gay.  
 Joers, Peter S., bottler, 132 E. Gay.  
 John, John, Separator Works, 11 N. Matlack.  
 John, Hannah A., 31 E. Barnard.  
 John, Wm. H., painter, 214 W. Market.  
 Johnson, Adaline, 29 S. Walnut.  
 Johnson, Amanda, 127 E. Barnard.  
 Johnson, Amos, lab., 229 E. Market.  
 Johnson, Amos, elevator man, 431 E. Barnard.  
 Johnson, Bessie, nurse, Nurses' Home, N. Matlack.  
 Johnson, Caroline A., 631 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Howard C., 20 S. Walnut.  
 Johnson, Howard, painter, 222 W. Fayette.  
 Johnson, Mrs. Caroline L., 143 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Chas. H., fireman, 135 E. Barnard.  
 Johnson, Clara M., dom., 211 N. High.  
 Johnson, Chas., m.c., 127 E. Barnard.  
 Johnson, Daniel W., switch tender, 226 N. Franklin.  
 Johnson, Edward, lab., 431 E. Barnard.  
 Johnson, Emma J., 143 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Frank, blacksmith, 322 S. Matlack.  
 Johnson, May, Friends' Edg Home.  
 Johnson, Geo. B., att'y, 22 E. Market; h., 47 N. Church.  
 Johnson, Geo., hodcarrier, 13 Denny's Court.  
 Johnson, Henry A., lab., 629 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Howard D., tailor, 226 N. Franklin.  
 Johnson, Harry S., Steward S. N. S.; h., 8 Rosedale Ave.  
 Johnson, Howard, painter, 222 W. Fayette.  
 Johnson, Jane, 602 S. High.  
 Johnson, Jas. H., bartender, 300 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Jas. F., lab., 413 E. Barnard.  
 Johnson, Jane, 306 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Mrs. Jennie, dom., 427 N. Walnut.  
 Johnson, John A., 1st house Dr. Price's farm, W. of S. New.  
 Johnson, John S., lab., 629 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, John S., feed mill, 127 E. Barnard.  
 Johnson, John W., lab., 123 W. Union.  
 Johnson, Lewis T., 249 E. Chestnut.  
 Johnson, Lewis E., car sweeper, 249 E. Chestnut.  
 Johnson, Maggie, dom., 631 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Mary, dom., 631 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Margaret A., 629 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Annie A., 135 W. Barnard.  
 Johnson, Nellie S., stu., 226 N. Franklin.  
 Johnson, Ollaie, 10 N. New.  
 Johnson, Rachel, servant, 308 S. Ch'h.  
 Johnson, Rebecca, 307 S. Adams.  
 Johnson, Richard, lab., 403 S. Adams.  
 Johnson, Mrs. Sarah, 501 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Sarah E., 629 E. Miner.  
 Johnson, Theo., 123 W. Union.  
 John, Wesley P., gard., 112 Nields.  
 Johnson, Wm. C., bootblack, 233 Evans.  
 Johnson, W. C., Adams Express agent, Turk's Head Hotel.  
 Johnson, Wm., lab., 401 S. Adams.  
 Johnson, Wm. R., engineer, 20 S. Walnut.  
 Johnson, Wm., clerk, 20 S. Walnut.  
 Jones, Adelaide, 233 S. Matlack.  
 Jones, Addison L., Supt. of Public Schools, 430 S. Walnut.  
 Jones, Alphonso, waiter, 426 E. Gay.  
 Jones, Alex., waiter, 216 S. Matk k.  
 Jones, Anna, dom., 410 N. Church.  
 Jones, Mrs. Anna M. R., 445 N. Walnut.  
 Jones, Bessie, dom., 319 S. Matlack.  
 Jones, Charlotte F., 445 N. Walnut.  
 Jones, David, marble cutter, 139 E. Market; h., 131 E. Chesnut.  
 Jones, David, lab., 229 E. Market.  
 Jones, Mrs. David, 139 E. Chestnut.  
 Jones, Eliza J., 302 E. Gay.  
 Jones, Elvira, waiter, 235 E. Market.  
 Jones, Herbert, lab., 306 E. Union.  
 Jones, Jas., lab., 408 E. Gay.  
 Jones, Jas., blacksmith, 113 W. Market.  
 Jones, Jesse L., dry goods, Jones & Tanguy, 25 W. Gay; h., 23 W. Gay.  
 Jones, John B., hod carrier, 529 E. Barnard.  
 Jones, John, foreman, 233 S. Matk k.  
 Jones, John W., coach painter, 125 W. Union.  
 Jones, Jos., saddler, 215 W. Barnard.  
 Jones, J. Ralston, stu., 445 N. Walnut.  
 Jones, Mrs. Jos. E., 113 S. High.  
 Jones, Jos. H., barber, 426 E. Gay.  
 Jones, Lewis, lab., 408 E. Gay.  
 Jones, Minnie B., 337 S. Adams.  
 Jones, Marian Bertron, 113 S. High.  
 Jones, Nettie M., dom., 324 W. Chestnut.  
 Jones, Peter, gardener, 426 E. Gay.  
 Jones, Rev. W. J., 505 N. New.  
 Jones & Tanguy, dry goods, 25 W. Gay.  
 Jones, Wm. H., carp., 20 S. High.  
 Jones, Wm., spoke mill, 248 E. Gay.  
 Joyce, Miss C. D., 42 W. Barnard.  
 Joyce, Hugh, horse trainer, 110 W. Union.  
 Joyce, S. Matlack.  
 Joyce, Michael, spoke driver, 129 Nields.  
 Joyce, Patrick R., spoke maker, 705 16 S. Matlack.  
 Joyce, Wm., 127 Nields.  
 Juricks, Mrs. Mary L., dress maker.
- K**ANE, Annie, dom., 320 N. High.  
 Kane, Katherine P., 146 E. Gay.  
 Kane, Mrs. Annie, 346 W. Gay.  
 Kane, Clotilda, clerk, 346 W. Gay.  
 Kane, Miss F. B., 2d house Dr. Price's farm, W. of S. New.  
 Kane, Geo. E., pressman, Daily Local News, 21 Price.  
 Kane, Geo. B. Jr., m.c., 11; E. Gay.  
 Kane, Lewis W., music and art, 196 E. Gay.  
 Kane, Lizzie F., 21 Price.  
 Kane, Paul L., clerk, 146 E. Gay.  
 Kane, Sarah, dress maker, 346 W. Gay.  
 Kane, Thos. A., printer, 316 W. Gay.  
 Kane, Wm. P., Separator Works hand, 21 Price.  
 Karns, Peter, far., near R R., south of Nields.  
 Kathryn, John C., 121 E. Gay.  
 Kauffman, Charlotte, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.  
 Kauffman, Harry, newsboy, 220 N. Darlington.  
 Kauffman, Wilmer W., fireman, 220 N. Darlington.  
 Kauffman, Wm., ladies' and gents' furnishings, 148 W. Gay.  
 Kautz, Christian, gate tender, 131 E. Market.  
 Kautz, Katie, 131 E. Market.  
 Kautz, Samuel, engineer, 131 E. Market.  
 Kautz, Wm. P., stu., 131 E. Market.  
 Kay, R. G., merchant, 522 N. Ch'h.  
 Kearney, Geo. W., blacksmith, Pyle's alley, bet. Church and Darlington; h., 138 W. Gay.  
 Kearney, Mrs. G. W., milliner, 138 W. Gay.  
 Keating, John, rag dealer, Market, W. of New.  
 Keating, Wm., Separator Works hand, 218 N. Franklin.  
 Keavey, Mrs. Mary, 422 W. Miner.  
 Keavy, Miss Mary, 422 W. Miner.  
 Kee, Wing, laundry, 132 N. Church.  
 Keech, Mrs. Caroline, 125 E. Barnard.  
 Keech, Crosby P., spoke mill hand, 437 S. High.  
 Keech, Effie, Turk's Head Hotel.  
 Keech, Howard T., 255 W. Wash'ton.  
 Keech, J. Barton, mech., 133 W. Biddle.  
 Keech, J. Parker, wheel works hand, 536 S. Adams.  
 Keech, Jos. C., conductor, Turk's Head Hotel.  
 Keech, Jos. P., cigars, 154 W. Gay; h., 121 W. Chestnut.  
 Keech, J. Morton, spoke mill hand, 128 W. Barnard.  
 Keech, Walter, clerk, Turk's Head Hotel.  
 Keeffe, Cornelius, lab., 427 W. Market.  
 Keelley, J. R., milk and butter depot, 142 W. Gay.  
 Keely, Mrs. Tillie B., 121 E. Chest't.  
 Keen, Amy F., dom., 431 W. Miner.  
 Keener, Adam, bakery, cor. New and Market; h., 300 W. Market.  
 Keener, Eva E., 300 W. Market.  
 Keener, Frederick E., driver, 300 W. Market.  
 Kelley, John S., stationery and art, 7 N. Church; h., 102 W. Barnard.  
 Kelling, Mrs. Frances, 115 E. Barnard.  
 Kelly, Geo. E., fireman, 115 E. Market.  
 Kendall, C. Park, 121 W. Biddle.  
 Kendig, Elmer, creamery, 224 W. Washington.  
 Kennedy, Mrs. A. B., 313 W. Union.  
 Kennedy, J., 132 W. Gay.  
 Kenny, Carlton, lab., 124 E. Barnard.  
 Kenny, Hattie, teacher, 126 E. Barnard.  
 Kenny, Lemuel, lab., 124 E. Barnard.  
 Kenny, Mary, 124 E. Barnard.  
 Kerr, Agnes, 15 N. Matlack.  
 Kerr, Geo., lumber yard, 138 E. Market; h., 5 N. Matlack.  
 Kerr, Agnes, 5 N. Matlack.  
 Kerr, Bernard, tailor, 10 N. Church; h., 301 W. Chestnut.  
 Kervey, Elinore B., 213 W. Miner.  
 Kervey, Harry R., 213 W. Miner.  
 Kervey Houghton R., stu., 213 W. Miner.  
 Kerwin, John F., baggage master.  
 Kerwin, John M., grinder, 417 S. Matlack.  
 Kerwin, John M., 417 S. Matlack.  
 Kerwin, Mrs. Mary 518 S. Franklin.  
 Kettleman, Mary, 303 Dean.  
 Keys, Albert M., flour and feed mill, E. Barnard, bet. Matlack; h., 13 W. Barnard.  
 Kift, Jennie, dental student, 300 S. High.  
**KIFT, JOS., SR., FLOWERS, 310 S. High; h., 300 S. High.**  
 Kift, Jcs. Jr., florist, 300 S. High.  
 Kilpatrick, Annie, 142 E. Union.  
 Kilpatrick, Mary E., dress maker, 142 E. Union.  
 Kilpatrick, Frank J., barber, 142 E. Union.  
 Kilpatrick, Frank carp., 142 E. Union.  
 Kimmey, Sarah E., Barclay Home.  
 King, Ella H., 319 W. Union.  
 King, Leah M., Deputy Clerk of Courts, 453 W. Gay.  
**KING, JAMES L., GRAIN AND FEED SHIPPER, 11 S. High, L. D. Phone 138; h., 612 S. Walnut.**  
 King, Mrs. Sophia B., 612 S. Walnut.  
 King, Mrs. Tilda, 453 W. Gay.  
 King, Wm. P., tailor, 110 W. Market; h., 19 S. New.  
 King, Lewis B., tailor, 18 E. Gay; h., 319 S. Darlington.  
 King, Thos. T., far., 137 Lucy.  
 King, Rev. J. C., 115 S. Worth ngton.  
 King, Julie, Supt. and head nurse, Ches. Co. Hospital.  
 Kiniry, Kate, 22 S. Walnut.  
 Kiniry, Patrick, lab., 22 S. Walnut.  
 Kinnard, Frank, electrician, 7 N. Walnut.  
 Kirk, Edward G., 400 N. Church.  
 Kirk, Miss Elizabeth, 215 W. Miner.  
 Kirk, John W., ice, 255 E. Chestnut.  
 Kirk, Samuel S., 316 W. Miner.  
 Kirk, Sarah S., assistant, S. N. S.  
 Kirk, Wm. S., insurance, 300 N. Ch'h.  
 Kiselman, W., blacksmith, rear of 12 N. Walnut; h., 259 E. Market.  
 Klüber, Louie, stu., 314 E. Biddle.  
 Knickerbocker Am., W. 31 W. Barnard.  
 Knowlton, Mary J., music teacher, 212 W. Miner.  
 Knox, Jas., milk dealer, 104 E. Market.  
 Knox, Anna E., 104 E. Market.  
 Kruger, Elizabeth B., 164 N. New.

- Kofke, Chas., barber, 156 W. Gay; 305 Hannum Ave.  
 Kofke, Chas. Edwin, driver, 305 Hannum Ave.  
 Kreemer, S. I., Supt. of Drawing, 342 E. Eiddle.  
 Kugel, Harry C., 25 E. Gay.  
 Kugel, L., bakery and confectionery, 23 E. Gay; h., 25 E. Gay.  
 Kugel, Jacob, 25 E. Gay.  
 Kugler, Kimbrell H., mach., 20 S. New.  
 Kugler, Mrs. Martha J., 29 S. New.
- L**ACEY, Clara M., clerk, 327 W. Gay.  
 Lacey, Clinton S., spoke works hand, 327 W. Gay.  
 Lacey, Mrs. Sarah A., 327 W. Gay. S. Walnut.  
 Lack, Charlton D., conductor, 309 Lack, Rose, 436 W. Gay.  
 Lack, Mrs. R., 436 W. Gay.  
 Lacy, Morris, fireman, 509 S. Frank.  
 Lack, Thos., att'y, 119 N. High; h., 436 W. Gay.  
 Lacy, John, lab., 500 S. Franklin.  
 Lacy, Julia, 500 S. Franklin.  
 Lacy, Michael, lab., 500 S. Franklin.  
 Ladd, Martha, 35 W. Gay.  
 Ladd, Paul D., 202 N. Church.  
 LADD, SAMUEL B., BOOKS AND STATIONERY, 202 W. Gay.  
 LADD & SON, BOOKS AND STATIONERY, 37 W. Gay.  
 Lafferty, Mrs. Marion, 424 Hannum Ave.  
 Lahey, Mary, 405 N. Franklin.  
 Laird, Robert, 317 W. Miner.  
 Laird, Rev. W. R., 317 W. Miner.  
 Lake, H. J. W., 3d house, Dr. Price's farm, W. of S. New.  
 Lamb, Ella, 100 S. Church.  
 Lambert, Mrs. Emily Gertrude, 11 N. Church.  
 Lambert, Mary, 212 W. Gay.  
 Lamborn, Dr. W. P., dentist, 500 S. High.  
 Lands, Joseph, lab., 327 W. Market.  
 Lane, Jos., lab., 118 E. Union.  
 Larkin, Mrs. Ann E. W., 502 S. High.  
 Larkin Mrs. Rebecca, 339 W. Barn'd.  
 Larkin, Sue R., 502 S. High.  
 Lawrence, Ella, dress maker, 31 S. Matlack.  
 Lawrence, Elizabeth W., 31 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Lawrence, Isaac mach., 31 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Lawrence, Lizzie, dress maker, 31 S. Matlack.  
 Lawrence, Morris, brick layer, 114 E. Miner.  
 Lawrence, Thos. S., engineer, 201 E. Market.  
 Laycock Mrs. Maria B., 308 S. Walt'.  
 Leaf, Nathaniel, painter, 508 S. Franklin.  
 Lear, Annie P., P. O. clerk, 107 E. Chestnut.  
 Lear, Barclay, insurance, Sec. Penn Mutual, 324 W. Union.  
 Lear, Chas. B., hardware, 137-139 N. High; h., 107 E. Chestnut.  
 Lear, Chas. E., Jr., clerk, 107 E. Chestnut.  
 Lear, Harry T., letter carrier, 107 E. Chestnut.  
 Lear, Malin, conductor, 212 E. Gay.  
 Lear, Martha G., stenographer, 107 E. Chestnut.  
 Lear, Wm. P., salesman, 107 E. Chestnut.  
 Leary, A. Thur, trackman, 13 Nields.  
 Leary, Daniel, Jr., horse trainer, 523 S. Matlack.  
 Leary, Daniel, 523 S. Matlack.  
 Ledhaeuer Mrs. W. H., Green Tree.  
 Lednum, Chas. H., driver, 237 W. Chestnut.  
 Lee, A. T., laundry, 135 W. Market.  
 Lee, Mrs. Chas. B., 100 S. Darl'ton.  
 Lee, J. e., laundry, 106 W. Market.  
 Lee, Lucy H., dom., 118 S. Darl'ton.  
 Lee, Margaretta, 100 S. Darlington.  
 Lee, Sam, laundry, 33 E. Market.  
 Leedom, Edwin, livery and feed, 120 N. Church; h., 122 N. Darlington.  
 Leedom, Enoch, 200 N. Church.  
 Leedom, Jos. P., 511 S. High.
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 Lent, Anna S., 606 S. High.  
 Lent, Mrs. Caroline D., 606 S. High.  
 Leopold, Clara, 418 Hannum Ave.  
 Leonard, Jas., lab., 431 E. Gay.  
 Leopold, Mrs. Sarah, 418 Hannum Av.  
 Leslie, Geo. Y., carp., 229 E. Chest t.  
 Lewis, Alice, 134 N. Church.  
 Lewis, Albin, spoke hand, 113 W. Market.  
 Lewis, Annetta T., 308 S. Darlington.  
 Lewis, Blanche A., 210 W. Union.  
 Lewis, Daniel H., 447 N. Walnut.  
 Lewis, Daniel N., brick layer, 308 S. Darlington.  
 Lewis, Edgar A., 318 W. Union.  
 Lewis, Ellen B., stu., 104 E. Wash'ton.  
 Lewis, Eli J., 318 W. Union.  
 Lewis, Frank, brick layer, 142 W. Union.  
 Lewis, Fred H., brick layer, 365 S. Darlington.  
 Lewis, Fred W., engineer, 551 S. Matlack.  
 Lewis, Geo. M., far., 14 N. Matlack.  
 Lewis, Harry E., brick layer, 308 S. Darlington.  
 Lewis, Henry, far., 14 N. Matlack.  
 Lewis, Hettie E., 211 W. Barnard.  
 Lewis, Levi P., milk dealer, 104 E. Washington; h., 25 E. Wash'ton.  
 Lewis, Maud, 305 S. Adams.  
 Lewis, Oliver, shoe maker, 211 W. Barnard.  
 Lewis, Samuel J., milk dealer, 104 E. Washington.  
 Lewis, Thos., brick maker, 305 S. Adams.  
 Lewis, Thos. L., Jr., brick layer, 210 W. Union.  
 Lewis, Thos., engineer, 410 E. Gay.  
 Lewis, Thos. L., brick layer, 308 S. Darlington.  
 Lewis, Walter H., stenographer, 335 N. Franklin.  
 Lewis, Wilmer T., brick layer, 308 S. Darlington.  
 Liggett, Mrs. Robt., Jr., 26 S. Ch'h.  
 Lightcap, Jacob B., spoke driver, 312 E. Gay.  
 Lightcap, Percy W., printer, 312 E. Gay.  
 Linan, Theo., lab., 316 E. Gay.  
 Linder, Chas., driver, 351 W. Market.  
 Linder, Geo., baker, 351 W. Market.  
 Lindley, Wm., clerk, 508 S. High.  
 Lindsay, Mrs. Louisa, 311 S. Adams.  
 Linton, Roger, stu., 491 N. Franklin.  
 Lippincott, Caroline M., 3d floor, Assembly Building.  
 Lipson, P., clothing, cor. Market and Walnut; h., 39 E. Market.  
 Loag, John, lab., 329 N. Darlington.  
 Lodge, Annie R., 117 E. Wash'ton.  
 Lodge, Mattie B., 117 E. Wash'ton.  
 Lodge, Susan C., teacher, 117 E. Washington.  
 Logan, John P., 117 S. Church.  
 Logan, Rebecca, 608 S. Church.  
 Lomax, Mary, dom., 320 N. High.  
 Long, Frank, helper, 6 N. Walnut.  
 Long, Franklin H., paper hanger, 6 N. Walnut.  
 Longshore, Channing, M. D., 411 S. Walnut.  
 Longshore, Mrs. Maria P., 411 S. Walnut.  
 Loomis, Elinore, 210 W. Gay.  
 Loomis, Esau, auc., 210 W. Gay.  
 Loomis, Esau, Jr., stu., 449 W. Gay.  
 Loomis, Frank O., linotype operator, Daily Local News, 449 W. Gay.  
 Loomis, Havard S., bookkeeper, 35 Price.  
 Loomis, Sallie, tailoress, 210 W. Gay.  
 Loper, Mamie, dom., 127 S. Walnut.  
 Loveland, Annie J., weaver, 249 E. Chestnut.  
 Loveland, Mary J., 249 E. Chestnut.  
 Lovett, Richard w teleman 21 Dean.  
 Luett, Chas. E., 430 S. Matlack.  
 Lucas, May, 112 E. Gay.  
 Lucas, Mrs. Mary H., Apple Plumbing and Heating Co., 114 E. Gay; 112 E. Gay.  
 Ludwig, Ralph, bar., 31 W. Market.
- Ludwick, Blanche M., stu., 123 E. Market.  
 Ludwick, Elizabeth J., board'ng house, 123 E. Market.  
 Luff, Wilson, lab., 245 S. Matlack.  
 Luff, David, barber, 338 E. Miner.  
 Luff, Mrs. Margaret, 523 E. Ba. na d.  
 Lumis, Mrs. Elizabeth, 333 W. Un on.  
 Lumis, Geo. F., lab., 2-0 W. Chest't.  
 Lumis, J. Howard, m.r., 329 S. Walt'.  
 Lundegan, Edward, 114 N. eids.  
 Lutz, Agnes, 122 W. Union.  
 Lynch, Anna, 16 W. Gay.  
 Lynch, Annie, dom., 125 W. Miner.  
 Lynch, Elizabeth, 547 S. Matlack.  
 Lynch, Jerome, insurance, 534 S. High.  
 Lynch, John F., milk m.n., 123 Mag-  
 Lynch, Joseph, 16 W. Gay.  
 Lynch, Wm., shoe maker, 38 S. High; h., 34 E. Miner.  
 nolia.  
 Lynn, Sarah, dom., 403 E. Wash'ton.  
 Lyon, Daniel, brake man, 509 S. Mat'l'k.  
 Lyons, Mary C., dom., 415 N. Fr klin.  
 Lytle, C. N., Mansion House Hotel, cor. Market and Church.  
 Lytle, F. Justice, lab., 11 N. Mat'l'k.  
 Lytle, Lizzie H., 11 N. Matlack.  
 Lytle, Samuel L., market house em-  
 ploye, 312 E. Miner.
- M**ACDONALD, John, driver, 221 N. Walnut.  
 MacDonald, Samuel G., driver, 221 N. Walnut.  
 MacElree, Jas., 609 S. High.  
 MacElree, Wilmer W., District At-  
 torney, 6 S. High; h., 609 S. High.  
 McAnulla, Katie, landress, 224 N. Franklin.  
 McBride, Elizabeth E., milliner, 107 W. Gay; h., 440 W. Gay.  
 McBride, James P., 106 S. Church.  
 MBRIDE, JOHN F., BILLIARDS, TOBACCO AND CIGARS, cor. Gay and Walnut; h., 44 E. Gay.  
 McCabe, Jas., watchman, 130 Lacey.  
 McCabe, Patrick, 119 S. Matlack.  
 McCallen, Frank, lab., 319 N. Dar-  
 lington.  
 McCallen, Mrs. Mary, dom., 319 N. Darlington.  
 McCament, Mrs. Mary, 411 N. Ch'h.  
 McCann, Annie, waitress, 211 W. Market.  
 McCarty, Vernon, baggage master, 131 Lacey.  
 McCarthy, John, track walker, 126 fields.  
 McCarty, Jas., lab., 114 Nields.  
 McCarty, Mary, 292 W. Barnard.  
 McCarty, Mary, 114 Nields.  
 McCarty, Wm., driver, 114 Nields.  
 McCauley, Lew. P., Auditor General, 22 W. Chestnut.  
 McClain, Emily, 345 W. Gay.  
 McClain, Mrs. Mary, 515 N. New.  
 McClellan, Christiana L., 215 E. Gay.  
 McClellan, John B., agent, 203 W. Union.  
 McClellan, Jas. D., 215 E. Gay.  
 McClenaghan, Mary E., 445 W. Gay.  
 McClenaghan, Wm. F., Separator Works, 445 W. Gay.  
 McCleod, Daniel, 243 W. Barnard.  
 McCleod, Mrs. R., 243 W. Barnard.  
 McCloskey Rachel, dom., 403 S. High.  
 McClure, Mrs. Hannah, 217 S. Dar-  
 lington.  
 McClurg, F. L., entomologist, 209 W. Gay.  
 McCool, Frank, lab., 223 W. Bidde.  
 McCool, Joanna J., mer., 409 N. New.  
 McCorkle, Eva M., 515 S. Matlack.  
 McCorkle, Geo., plas., 515 S. Mat'l'k.  
 McCorkle, Mary S., teacher, 515 S. Matlack.  
 McCormick, Mrs. Catherine, 308 N. Darlington.  
 McCormick, Emma, milliner, 140 W. Gay.  
 McCormick, Geo. E., clerk, 119 E. Union.  
 McCormick, John A., 311 Hannum.  
 McCormick, J. Harry, printer, 311 Hannum Ave.  
 McCormick, John P., stu., 114 E. Washington.



- McCormick, R. Frank, foreman, 413 N. New.  
 McCormick, W. A., clerk, 114 E. Washington.  
 McCarnack, Herbert, inventor, 202 Price.  
 McCowan, Abbie, dress maker, 324 W. Union.  
 McCowan, Alexander T., printer, 114 N. Darlington.  
 McCowan, Dr. C. H., dentist S. E. cor. High and Gay; h., 122 S. High.  
 McCowan, M. S. Thos., 324 W. Union.  
 McCoy, Walter, mech., 218 W. Fayette.  
 McCue, Almon, planing mill, 124 Nields.  
 McCue, Mrs. Annie, 124 Nields.  
 McCue, Jas., far., 124 Nields.  
 McCue, John, lab., 124 Nields.  
 McCue, Mary, dom., 409 S. High.  
 McCue, Wm., engineer, 145 Nields.  
 McCullough, Mrs. E. F., 318 W. Miner.  
 McCullough, Harry, hod carrier, 11 N. Matlack.  
 McCullough, John, lab., 347 W. Market.  
 McCullough, Margaret, dress maker, 220 S. Walnut.  
 McCullough, Mary, dom., 611 S. High.  
 McCullough, Rose, dom., 118 N. Ch. h.  
 McDermond, Mrs. Caroline R., 631 S. Walnut.  
 McDermond, Elizabeth S., 631 S. Walnut.  
 McDermond, Lavinia S., clerk, 631 S. Walnut.  
 McDermond, Pierce H., clerk, 631 S. Walnut.  
 McDermott, Josephine, dom., 319 W. Miner.  
 McDonald, Mrs. Maria, 334 W. Gay.  
 McDonald, Sadie, 334 W. Gay.  
 McDONALD, WALTER A., CO. SURVEYOR, Court House; h., 107 E. Chestnut.  
 McFadden, Edward M., linotype operator, Daily Local News, 241 W. Gay.  
 McFadden, Elmer L., driver, 118 W. Chestnut.  
 McFadden, Jas., section foreman, 112 E. Gay.  
 McFadden, J. N., carp., 322 W. Washington.  
 McFadden, J. W., carpenter and builder, Pyle's Alley bet. Church and Darlington; h., 322 W. Washington.  
 McFadden, John L., mach., 241 W. Gay.  
 McFadden, Mrs. M. R., groceries, 241 W. Gay.  
 Church; h., 626 S. High.  
 McFadden, M. A. V., 241 W. Gay.  
 McFadden, Cyrus W., 221 S. Walnut.  
 McFarlan, Alfred G., 18 W. Miner.  
 McFarlan, Mrs. Elizabeth, 29 S. High.  
 McFarlan, Frank, driver, 233 W. Barnard.  
 McFarlan, Jas. E., auc., 522 S. Darlington.  
 McFarlan, Mary, 18 W. Miner.  
 McFarlan, W. Jackson, carp., 18 W. Miner.  
 McFarland, Carrie P., book keeper, 107 E. Chestnut.  
 McFarland, Chas. T., McFarland & Reynolds, steam laundry, 20½ S. McFarland, David M., banker and broker, 13 N. High; h., 142 W. Market.  
 McFarland, Geo. K., att'y, 13 N. High; h., 142 W. Market.  
 McFarland, John W., mach., 304 W. Fayette.  
 McFarland, L. Etta, teacher, 304 W. Fayette.  
 McFarra, Richard, 121 S. Matlack.  
 McGonigal, Al x., wheel works hand, 251 E. Market.  
 McGonigal, Chas. J., plumber, 251 E. Market.  
 McGonigal, Katie, 251 E. Market.  
 McGonigal, Katie, 110 S. High.  
 McGovern, Rose, dom., 602 S. High. 219 W. Biddle.  
 McGrogan, Hugh, fireman, 724 S. Matlack.  
 McGrogan, Dennis P., upholsterer.  
 McGrogan, Jane, nurse, Ches. Co. Hospital.  
 McGrogan, Jas., nurseryman, 512 S. Franklin.  
 McGuigan, David, 119 E. Gay.  
 McGuigan, John, moulder, 11 N. Matlack.  
 McGuigan, Mrs. Mary, dom., 429 N. Church.  
 McGrogan, Margaret C., 219 W. Biddle.  
 McGrogan, Wm., lab., 219 W. Biddle.  
 McGurk, Frank, helper, 215 E. Gay.  
 McHale, Annie, dom., 103 S. High.  
 McHale, Mrs. Winnie, 420 Hannum Ave.  
 McKay, Mary J., dom., 113 E. M'rs'h'll.  
 McKee, Chas., 101 S. Church.  
 McKinney, Mabel, dom., 100 Poplar.  
 McKinney, M. S. Eliza, 100 Poplar.  
 McKinstry, E. L., reporter, Daily Local News, 140 Dean.  
 McKinstry, Loraine S., reporter, Daily Local News, 140 Dean.  
 McKinstry, Mrs. Miriam M., 140 Dean.  
 McKissick, David H., driver, 121 W. Biddle.  
 McLain, J. L., 316 W. Union.  
 McLain, Ralston, 316 W. Union.  
 McLain, Ruth, 316 W. Union.  
 McLaughlin, Thos. P., 23 S. Walnut.  
 McLearn, A., Estate, carriages, 200-204 S. High.  
 McLearn, Alfred D., 404 N. Darlington.  
 McLearn, Anna M., teacher, 439 S. High.  
 McLearn, Mrs. C. E., 439 S. High.  
 McLearn, Geo. C., bank clerk, 439 S. High.  
 McLearn, J. Frank, watchman, 404 N. Darlington.  
 McLearn, John L., railroader, 404 N. Darlington.  
 McLearn, M. Frank, tinsmith, 404 N. Darlington.  
 McLearn, W. Z., banking, 439 S. High.  
 McLeod, Alexander, 29 S. Church.  
 McMichael, Martha E., 124 S. Wal't.  
 McMichael, Ruth, teacher, 124 S. Walnut.  
 McMichael, Wm. A., agent P. R. R., 124 S. Walnut.  
 McMurry, Elinore, 107 S. Church.  
 McNamee, John, stonemason, 24 S. New.  
 McNamee, Jos., baggage master, 217 W. Fayette.  
 McNamee, Jos., Jr., mach., 217 W. Fayette.  
 McNamee, Sarah, laundress, 217 W. Fayette.  
 McNamee, Wm., plumber, 217 W. Fayette.  
 McNamee, Wm. J., waiter, 24 S. New.  
 McNamee, Mrs. Bridget, 416 W. Market.  
 Madden, Mary, dress maker, 416 W. Market.  
 Maginley, Harry R., confectioner, 512 S. Matlack.  
 Maguire, Ann, 201 Price.  
 Maguire, John, coachman, 445 N. New.  
 Maguire, Jos. P., 115 N. Darlington.  
 Maguire, Philip, printer, 115 N. Darlington.  
 Mahlon, Nettie, dom., 501 Price.  
 Malaney, Mary A., 223 S. Walnut.  
 Malin, Addie, laundress, 607 S. Mat'k.  
 Malin, Derttha E., 110 E. Washington.  
 Malin, Mrs. Eliza, 607 S. Matlack.  
 Malin, Geo. E., carp., 136 E. Union.  
 Malin, Hannah E., 136 E. Union.  
 Malin, Howard R., tinsmith, 110 E. Washington.  
 Malin, John A., carp., 128 Lacey.  
 Malin, Mary E., 110 E. Washington.  
 Malin, Wm., carp., E. Market and Bolmar.  
 Maloney, John H., cutter, 514 S. Franklin.  
 Mancill, Alfred, clerk, 119 Magnolia.  
 Mancill, Edwin B., clerk, 124 Lacey.  
 Manes, Alta M., dress maker, 223 N. New.  
 Manes, Wm. R., carp., 223 N. New.  
 Marshman, Chas. B., carp., 603 S. Walnut.  
 Manley, Bessie, 145 W. Gay.  
 Manley, Horace, plumber, 237 W. Washington.  
 Manley, J. R., stair builder, 138 W. Barnard.  
 Manley, John W., 237 W. Wash'ton.  
 Manley, Mrs. Lizzie, 217 W. Miner.  
 Manley, Mary A., 145 W. Gay.  
 Manley, T. M., upholstering, 145 W. Gay.  
 Manly, Clarence, ice manufacturer, 142 Nields.  
 Mann, Anna E., laundress, 415 N. New.  
 Mann, Chas., painter, 232 N. Fr'klin.  
 Mann, Mrs. Lewis, dress maker, 437 Nields.  
 Mann, Josiah F., motorman, 415 N. New.  
 Mann, Mrs. Mary, nurse, 126 E. Chestnut.  
 Manning, Ellen, 9 S. Franklin.  
 Manning, Mary, stu., 723 S. Walnut.  
 Manning, Patrick T., grocer, 126 N. New.  
 Manning, Wm., stone mason, 723 S. Walnut.  
 Manning, Thos., mach., 723 S. Wal't.  
 Mansion House, C. N. Lytle, cor. Market and Church.  
 Mansion House Stables, livery, feed and boarding, 5-7 S. Church.  
 Mannels, Jos., blacksmith, 431 W. Market.  
 March, Horace W., painter, 222 W. Barnard.  
 March, John, 321 W. Union.  
 March, Wm. A., painter, 737 S. Mat'k.  
 March, Wm., painter, 737 S. Mat'k.  
 Margerum, Chas. W., driver, 328 W. Washington.  
 Margolies, A., gents' furnishing goods, 102 E. Market.  
 Marr, Jos. B., baggage master, 134 Lacey.  
 Marr, Basil H., baggage master, 616 S. Matlack.  
 Marsh, M. G., conductor, 210 E. Gay.  
 Marshall, Carrie, 319 S. Church.  
 Marshall, Mrs. Clara, 227 E. Washington.  
 Marshall, Eliza S., 245 W. Barnard.  
 Marshall, Hannah T., 42 W. Barn'd.  
 Marshall, Jos. N., 103 E. Market.  
 Marshall, J. P., photographer, 10 W. Gay; h., 297 E. Washington.  
 Marshall, Mae, 227 E. Washing on.  
 Marshall, Samuel, surveyor, 123 N. High; h., W. Goshen.  
 Marshall, Thos. W., investments, 13 N. High; h., Virginia Ave.  
 Marshall, Wm., Mansion House.  
 Marshall, Wm. P., President Nat. Bank of Chester Co., W. Goshen.  
 Martien, Mrs. Bessie C., 401 S. Ch'h.  
 Martin, Chandler, butcher, Market House; h., 127 Dean.  
 Martin, Chas., brick layer, 132 E. Barnard.  
 Martin, Elwood, motorman, 121 E. Washington.  
 Martin, Emma W., dom., 122 S. Wal't.  
 Martin, Jennie B., Business School, 326 W. Miner.  
 Martin, Lidie B., type writer, 326 W. Miner.  
 Martin, Louisa B., 326 W. Miner.  
 Martin, Lydia, teacher, S. N. S.  
 Martin, Mary, 138 W. Gay.  
 Martin, Maurice, florist, 131 E. Barn'd.  
 Martin, Sarah, teacher, 121 E. Washington.  
 Martin, Samuel, lab., 132 E. Barn'd.  
 Martin, Walton, creamery, 233 W. Washington.  
 Martin, Ziba C., Supt. W. C. Dairy, 125 W. Chestnut.  
 MARTINDALE, CHESTER P., GENERAL INSURANCE, 13 N. High; h., 416 W. Union.  
 Mason, Della M., stu., 123 S. Darlington.  
 Mason, Jennie P., 123 S. Darlington.  
 Mason, Lelah H., stu., 123 S. Darlington.  
 Mason, Mrs. Tamzin J., 123 S. Darlington.  
 Mason, Wm., nurseryman, 220 N. Franklin.

- Marvel, Mary R., 624 S. High.  
 Massey, Frances P., 126 W. Miner.  
 Massey, Hannah, 135 E. Miner.  
 Massey, Mrs. Isaac, 129 W. Miner.  
 Massey, John, far., 135 E. Miner.  
 Mateer, H. A., engineer, 128 E. Market.  
 Matlack, A. L., salesman, 116 E. Barnard.  
 Matlack, Caleb J., 126 N. Church.  
 Matlack, G. M., livery stable, rear of 19 S. High; h., 19 S. High.  
 Matlack, Geo. W., 116 E. Barnard.  
 Matlack, Harry A., 19 S. High.  
 Matlack, Lena B., 419 S. Walnut.  
 Matlack, Marshall, 139 E. Gay.  
 Matlack & Co., cor. High and Chestnut; h., 139 E. Gay.  
 Matlack, Miss Mary E., 116 E. Barn'd.  
 Matlack, Rebecca A., 111 S. Matlack.  
 MATLACK, SHELLEY W. GROCERIES, MEATS AND PROVISIONS, 8-12 W. Gay; h., 204 S. Walnut.  
 Matlack, T. W., & Bro., grocers, cor. Miner and New.  
 Mats-n, Edward, Jr., messenger, 118 Nields.  
 Matson, Edward, nurseryman, 118 Nields.  
 Matson, Geo., painter, 636 S. Walt.  
 Mauldin, David, lab., 315 S. Adams.  
 Mauldin, Elizabeth, 495 E. Barnard.  
 Maule, Annabelle, stenographer, 28 E. Washington.  
 Maule, Arthur E., mach., 28 E. Washington.  
 Maule, D. Ernest, mach., 28 E. Washington.  
 Maule, F. L., 28 E. Washington.  
 Maule, Mabel E., teacher, 28 E. Washington.  
 Maybew, Chas., waiter, 123 W. Biddle.  
 Maxon, Mrs. Hattie, 128 Nields.  
 MAYER & EACHT'S LOCK AND GUNSMITHS, 109 W. Market.  
 Mayer, Ernest, mach., 109 W. Market; h., 159 W. Gay.  
 Mayer, Fred W., machinist, 109 W. Market; h., 159 W. Gay.  
 Mayer, Frank Joseph, mach., 109 W. Market; h., 159 W. Gay.  
 Mayer, Mrs. Sophia, confectionery, 159 W. Gay.  
 Mayer, Wilhelmina, 159 W. Gay.  
 Mayhugh, Gertrude, 498 E. Gay.  
 Mayhugh Mrs. Rebecca, 498 E. Gay.  
 Meader, Alvin A., 126 W. Miner.  
 Meagra, Michael F., bartender, 226 W. Washington.  
 Meguigen, Curtis E., carp., 144 W. Barnard.  
 Meguigen, Laura G., 144 W. Barn'd.  
 Meguigen, Mary K., 144 W. Barnard.  
 Meguigen, Thos. B., carriage smith, 221 W. Barnard.  
 Meguigen, Wm. V., ice wagon band, 144 W. Barnard.  
 Melton, Mrs. Ellen, 127 S. Worthington.  
 Melton, Andy, 131 W. Market.  
 Melton, Ella, 131 W. Market.  
 Melton, Jane G., groceries, 642 E. Miner.  
 Melton, Joseph, restaurant, George-Melton, Mary, 335 N. Darlington.  
 town; h., 131 W. Market.  
 Mendenhall, Lydia, 327 Dean.  
 Mendenhall, Geo., brakeman, 349 S. Adams.  
 Mendenhall, Sallie, 327 Dean.  
 Menkins, Margaretta, 498 S. Walnut.  
 Menkins, Mary, 498 S. Walnut.  
 Menough, John H., butcher, 255 E. Chestnut.  
 Menough, Sarah, 255 E. Chestnut.  
 Mercer, Anna M., notions, 110 W. Gay.  
 Mercer, Anna S., dress maker, 129 E. Washington.  
 Mercer, Elizabeth, milliner, 136 W. Gay.  
 Mercer, Estalena H., teacher, 136 W. Gay.  
 Mercer, Mrs. Fannie, 425 S. Walnut.  
 Mercer, Geo. A., 18 S. New.  
 Mercer, Howard, bank clerk, 334 W. Union.  
 Mercer, Mrs. Jennie C., 128 W. Union.  
 Mercer, Jos. W., 128 S. High.  
 Mercer, Laura, 128 S. High.  
 Mercer, Lena H., teacher, 136 W. Gay.  
 Mercer, Norman D., plumber, 18 S. Mercer.  
 Mercer, Pearson, 136 W. Gay.  
 Mercer, Sarah A., 319 S. Church.  
 Mercer, Tevis H., butter route, 19 S. Walnut.  
 Mercer, Thos., clerk, 129 E. Washington.  
 Mercer, Ziba C. W., 128 S. High.  
 Meredith, Carolyn K., 226 S. Church.  
 Meredith, Elma, 210 W. Gay.  
 Meredith, Helen C., 226 S. Church.  
 Meredith, Henry C., butcher, 226 S. Church.  
 Meredith, J. L., Jr., hardware, 43 W. Gay; h., 315 W. Miner.  
 Meredith, J. L., butcher, Market House; h., 315 W. Miner.  
 Merrick, Mrs. Emma, 121 W. Barn'd.  
 Merry, Hyatt, 26 S. Church.  
 Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., 15 S. High.  
 Meyer, Francis J., clerk, 511 S. Church.  
 Meyer, Mary, 511 S. Church.  
 Meyer, Max, fruits and vegetables, 18 W. Gay; h., 511 S. Church.  
 Meyer, Max, Jr., mach., 6 W. Gay.  
 Michener, Augustus, 22 S. High.  
 Michener, Margaretta, 495 N. Walt.  
 Michener, Martha, 141 E. Marshall.  
 Middleton, Albert E., lab., 204 W. Biddle.  
 Middleton, Wm. G., hub turner, 132 E. Miner.  
 Miihlhauser, Fred F., paper hanger, 126 W. Union.  
 Miihlhauser, Matthew, shoe maker, 221 S. Darlington.  
 Milby, Eliza, 131 W. Union.  
 Milby, Jacob E., waiter, 131 W. Union.  
 Milby, John, lab., 323 W. Chestnut.  
 Milby, Mary Jane, 131 W. Union.  
 Miles, B. F., clerk, 24 S. High.  
 Miles, Bertha, 31 Price.  
 Miles, Chas., carp., 5 N. Walnut.  
 Miles, Clarence B., mech., 411 S. Matlack.  
 Miles, Cora A., 411 S. Matlack.  
 Miles, Jackson T., lab., 34 Price.  
 Miles, Jas. brakeman, 610 S. Mat'l k.  
 Miles, Wm., lab., 331 W. Gay.  
 Miles, Wm. F., janitor, 411 S. Mat'l k.  
 Millard, Bertha, 323 Price.  
 Millard, Clara, tailor ss. N. New. N. of Ashbridge.  
 Millard, Jona., mech., N. New. N. of Ashbridge.  
 Mill-r, Abbie E., nurse, 36 E. Mark t.  
 Miller, Anna M., 36 E. Market.  
 Miller, Chas. M., conductor, 129 U. cev.  
 MILLER'S DENTAL PARLORS, 4 S. High.  
 Miller, Edward, conductor, 36 E. Market.  
 Miller, Edward, mech., 108 E. Biddle.  
 Miller, Ella, 331 Hannum Ave.  
 Miller, Edward, bar., 13 W. Market.  
 Miller, Florence, str., 508 W. Fayette.  
 Miller, Harry, barber, 553 W. Market.  
 Miller, Dr. H. C., dentist, Mansion House.  
 Miller, Henry, Green Tree Hotel.  
 Miller, Jas., waiter, 353 W. Market.  
 Miller, Jos., principal, 313 W. Union.  
 Miller, Jos. G., brakeman, 511 S. Matlack.  
 Miller, Lewis H., clerk, 118 N. City.  
 Miller, Lizzie, dom., 27 W. Barnard.  
 Miller, Margaret, 217 S. Church.  
 Miller, M. Elizabeth, 311 Hannum Av.  
 Miller, Mrs. Martha A., 331 Hannum Ave.  
 Miller, Margaret A., 42 W. Barnard.  
 Miller, Orin, clerk, 107 S. Church.  
 Miller, Rebecca J., 331 Hannum Ave.  
 Mill-r, Robt. W., 331 Hannum Ave.  
 Mill-r, Wilbur W., better carrier, 123 W. Market.  
 Miller, Wm., 315 W. Miner.  
 Millhizer, Jas., grocer, 390 N. Darlington; h., 392 N. Darlington.  
 Mills, Mrs. Elizabeth, 104 Poplar.  
 Mills, Sue E., dress maker, 135 W. Miner.  
 Mills, J. S., lab., 312 E. Miner.  
 Milton, Albert, lab., 336 N. Darlington.  
 Milton, Mary, 316 N. Darlington.  
 Minck, Abe, salesman, 242 W. Gay.  
 Minck, Lewis, salesman, 242 W. Gay.  
 Minihan, Morris, coachman, Maple Ave.  
 Minshall, Lizzie M., 19 E. Miner.  
 Minshall, Thos. P., bakeman, 19 E. Miner.  
 Minster, Mary E., 326 W. Union.  
 Mitchell, Granville T., sash factory, 121 E. Washington.  
 Mitchell, Israel H., harness maker, 11 N. Walnut; h., 11 E. Wash'ton.  
 Mitchell, John, lab., 435 N. New.  
 Mitchell, John F., printer, 435 N. New.  
 Mitchell, R. B., 121 Poplar.  
 Mitchell, Warren F., salesman, 121 E. Washington.  
 Mittleson, Estella, saleslady, 19 S. Church.  
 Monaghan, Mrs. Annie, 114 N. Fr. klt.  
 Monaghan, Francis E., 429 S. Walt.  
 Monaghan, John, lab., 22 S. Walnut.  
 Monaghan, Mrs. R. J., 429 S. Walt.  
 Monks, Elizabeth C., 326 W. Union.  
 Mood, Bertha, 252 E. Gay.  
 Mood, Edgar, wheelwright, 252 E. Gay.  
 Mooney, Francis J., sexton, 233 W. Mooney, Mary, dom., 428 N. Chu ch. Gay.  
 Mooney, Mrs. Rebecca, 515 N. New.  
 Moore, Anna, 331 W. Gay.  
 Moore, Anna E., 325 W. Chestnut.  
 Moore, E. P., printer, 317 S. Church.  
 Moore, Eleanor, 317 S. Church.  
 Moore, Frank J., brakeman, 129 E. Barnard.  
 Moore, Henry, waiter, 106 Poplar.  
 Moore, Isaac, driver, 106 Poplar.  
 Moore, Jas. D., plumber, 325 W. Chestnut.  
 Moore, Jesse, 225 Sharpless.  
 Moore, J. Robt., porter 13 W. Barn'd.  
 Moore, Lucy E., 13 W. Barnard.  
 Moore, Sarah, 106 Poplar.  
 Moore, Mrs. Sophia A., 131 E. Washington.  
 Moore, T. Elwood, 329 W. Barnard.  
 Moore, Thos. H., boot and shoe maker, 134 E. Gay.  
 Moore, Wm. F., far., 16 N. New.  
 Moore, Wm., lab., 325 W. Chestnut.  
 Moore, Wm., lab., 106 Poplar.  
 Moore, Wm. J., florist, 325 W. Chestnut.  
 Moran, Mrs. Ann, 28 N. Darlington.  
 Moran, Mary A., dress mak r, 228 N. Darlington.  
 Moran, Ellen, 208 W. Gay.  
 Moran, Tim., engineer, 374 W. Gay.  
 Moran, Wm., florist, 341 W. Gay.  
 Morgan, Abbie, dom., 127 W. Market.  
 Morgan, M's Annie E., 60m., 217 E. Washington.  
 Morgan, Chas. H., adv. solicitor, Daily Local News, 222 S. Ch'h.  
 Morgan, Mrs. E., 124 E. Gay.  
 Morgan, Hannah H., boarding house, 28 S. High.  
 Morgan, Hannah, 137 Lac y.  
 Morgan, J. Ghcen, butcher, 493 W. Miner.  
 Morgan, Jas. M., janitor, 235 Evans.  
 Morgan, John V., foreman, 493 E. Washington.  
 Morgan, J. Anna, 257 E. Biddle.  
 Morgan, Katie, 357 E. Biddle.  
 Morgan, Laura B., 37 E. Market.  
 Morgan, Maggie, dress maker, 357 E. Biddle.  
 Morgan, Margaret T., 335 Hannum Ave.  
 Morgan, Mary E., 335 Hannum Ave.  
 Morgan, Mary, 335 Hannum Ave.  
 Morgan, Percy D., boot black, 235 Evans.  
 Morgan, Thos., lab., 335 Hannum Av.  
 Morgan, Thos., moulder, 357 E. Biddle.  
 Morgan, Mrs. Wm. J., 37 E. Market.  
 Morning Republican, H. Temple Prop., 24 E. Market.  
 Morris, Esther E., 117 Magnolia.  
 Morris, Finn, fireman, 33 E. Miner.  
 Morris, Florence, dom., 114 Poplar.

- Morris, Wm., steam thresher, 114 Bolmar.
- Morrison, Mrs. Ella D., 1 S. High.
- Morrison, Ella D., 1 S. High.
- Morrison, Elizabeth D., 1 S. High.
- Morrison, May DeL., teacher, 206 E. Gay.
- Morrison, Maba J., stenographer, 1 S. High.
- Mortn n. Alair ce T., tool finisher, 123 S. Darlington.
- Morton, Chas. H., spoke mill hand, 128 S. High.
- Moses, Carrie, 130 E. Union.
- Adv'y., 319 W. Miner.
- Moses, Geo. J., clerk, 319 W. Miner.
- Moses, Howard W., clerk, 130 E. Union.
- MOSES, JOHN G., BUSINESS MANAGER DAILY LOCAL NEWS, 121 E. Gay.
- MOSES & LUMIS, DRY GOODS AND NOTIONS, 19 N. Church.
- Moss, L. C., Moses & Lumis, 319 W. Miner.
- Moses, Maude V., 121 E. Gay.
- Moses, M. W., milliner, 36 W. Gay.
- Moses, Wilmer W., carp., 130 E. Union.
- Mosteller, C. K., bank clerk, 303 W. Union.
- Mosteller, Iva M., 303 W. Union.
- Mosteller, Mary E., 25 S. Church.
- Mosteller, Wesley spoke mill hand, 128 W. Barnard.
- Mowen, J. S., clerk, 105 N. Darlington.
- Mowere, John H., carp., 6 N. Walt.
- Mueller, Dr. J. Max, teacher music, 318 W. Fayette.
- Mullin, Geo., lab., 523 E. Barnard.
- MULLIN, J. HERBERT, CLOTHING AND TAILORING, 28 W. Gay; h., 413 W. Miner.
- Mullin, John S., 208 W. Miner.
- Mullin, Mary, 223 E. Washington.
- Mullin, Dr. S. A., 20 S. High.
- Mullin, Wm., clerk, 230 W. Barnard.
- Munshower, Clarence B., clerk, 625 S. Walnut.
- Munshower, Samuel, baggage master, 625 S. Walnut.
- Munshower, Wm. J., br. kewan, 625 S. Walnut.
- Murphy, Anna V., dress maker, 120 N. New.
- Murphy, Hannah, 421 N. New.
- Murphy, John, lab., 421 N. New.
- Murphy, Julia C., saleslady, 421 N. New.
- Murphy, Margaret V., dom., 421 N. New.
- Murphy, Michael J., Apple Plumbing and Heating Co., 253 E. Chestnut.
- Murphy, Patrick J., lab., 120 N. New.
- Mu phy, Th. S. B., driver, 313 W. Bidd e.
- Murray, Alex., lab., 335 E. Miner.
- Murray, Elsie, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.
- Murray, Harry, lab., 323 W. Market.
- Murray, Teresa, dom., 506 N. Ch'h.
- Murray, Wm., boarding stable, 20 E. Barnard.
- Musser, Edward H., painter, 213 W. Washington.
- Musser, Ella J., dress maker, 123 N. Darlington.
- Musser, Emma C., laundress, 243 W. Washington.
- Musser, Mrs. Martha A., 243 W. Washington.
- Musser, Melvin R., carp., 243 W. Washington.
- Musser, Walter, carp., 227 W. Washington.
- Murtagh, Jos. Chas., 326 N. Church.
- Murtagh, Jos. T., E. D. Hines & Co., 19 N. High; h., 325 N. Ch'h.
- Murvins, Gilbert, Farmers' Hotel.
- Muzante, Anthony, stu., 116 S. Darlington.
- Muzante Bros., George and Benjamin Muzante, 8 S. Church, High and Market, High and Gay.
- Muzante, Benj., Muzante Bros., 8 S. Church; h., 116 S. Darlington.
- Muzante, Geo., Muzante Bros., 8 S. Church; h., 116 S. Darlington.
- Muzante, Mrs. Victoria, 116 S. Darlington.
- Myers, Henry, shoe maker, 312 E. Market.
- Myers, Katharine, 125 E. Miner.
- Myers, Sarah, 13 W. Gay.
- NASH, Jacob, expressman, 227 E. Market.
- Nash, Jonas, 408 E. Gay.
- Naylor, Harry F., car cleaner, 538 S. Adams.
- Naylor, John, clerk, 115 W. Gay.
- Naylor, Nellie E., s. amstress, 231 N. New.
- Naylor, Thos., plas., 231 N. New.
- Naylor, Sara V., dress maker, 231 N. New.
- Needles, Caleb H., cashier, 216 S. Church.
- Needles, Mrs. Mary M., 216 S. Ch'h.
- Neely, Mrs. E. M., 135 W. Miner.
- Neilds, Thos. M., painter, 722 S. Matlack.
- Neilds, Thos. N. hester, 722 S. Matlack.
- Nelson, Dr. Wilhelmina T., 126 W. Miner.
- Nethery, Caleb, boxmaker, 124 W. Washington.
- Nethery, Eber, lab., 204 Sharpless.
- New York Store E. Rosenb-rg. co., Church and Market.
- Nichols, Mrs. Anna P., 120 N. Darlington.
- Nichols, Harry, rag dealer, 12 S. Bolmar.
- Nichols, Harry W., mill hand, 142 W. Barnard.
- Nichols, Jas., steam thresher, 12 S. Bolmar.
- Nichols, Jos. G., mill hand, 142 W. Barnard.
- Nider, Edward, spoke mill hand, 224 N. Franklin.
- Nider, Phebe J., 227 E. Gay.
- Nider, Sylvester, 227 E. Gay.
- Nider, Thos., spoke mill hand, 218 N. Franklin.
- Niels, Bertie C., stenographer, 14 Rosedale Ave.,
- Nields, Dorcas W., 14 Rosedale Ave.
- Nields, Henry C., stenographer and clerk, 14 Rosedale Ave.
- Nields, Mrs. Rebecca P., 11 R s dale Ave.
- Nields, Ella S., teacher, 14 Rosedale Ave.
- Nields, W. T., lumber mer., 31 W. Miner.
- Nils, Edward, lin man, 443 W. Gay.
- Nixon, Mrs. Annie, 422 E. Min r.
- Nixon, Mrs. Opha, 315 De n.
- Noble, Mary F., 113 E. Market.
- Nocho, Mrs. Rachel J., 318 S. Matlack
- Nolan, John, lab., 136 W. Union.
- Noonan, Mrs. Ann, 208 W. Gay.
- Noonan, Anna G., dress maker, 226 N. Darlington.
- Noonan, Bernard V., nurseryman, 226 N. Darlington.
- Norris, Mrs. Bessie Ebbs, Mayfield.
- Norris, Edward 21 h use Dr. P.ier's farm, W. of S. New.
- Norris, Harry P., stu., Mayfield.
- Norris, Henry, post and railer, 642 E. Miner.
- Norr's, Thos., lab., 412 Hannum Av.
- Norris, Wm. H., driver, 244 W. Marshall.
- Nutt, David H., lab., 310 N. Darl't n
- Nutt, Eohraim M., agent, 227 Wollerton.
- Nutt, John W., blacksmith, 20 E. Chestnut; h., 32 E. Miner.
- (O) AT, Jos. H., carp., 40 W. Barn u
- Oat, Mrs. Elizabeth T., 303 S. Church.
- Oat, Chas. F., V. S., 19 W. Miner.
- Oat, Geo. R., plumber, 21 E. Gay; h., 118 W. Union.
- O'Brien, Annie, waitress, Eagle Hotel.
- O'Brien, Daniel, 217 S. Darlington.
- O'Brien, Etta M., tailoress, 301 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, Jeanra, 308 W. Chestnut.
- O'Brien, Jas., driver, 217 S. Darlton
- O'Brien, Jas., nurseryman, 251 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, Jennie, 304 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, Katharine, stenographer, 304 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, May A., dom., 526 N. Ch'h.
- O'Brien, Mary F., 217 S. Church.
- O'Brien, Mary, dress maker, 304 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, Michael, lab., 304 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, Patrick, gardener, 250 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, Sal lie, sa est dy, 251 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, Wm., lab., 304 E. Gay.
- O'Brien, Rev. Wm., 233 W. Gay.
- O'Brien, Wm., tinner, 250 E. Gay.
- O'Donnell, Annie, dom., 333 N. Franklin.
- O'Donnell, David, 118 E. Biddle.
- O'Donnell, Jas. M., lab., 304 Nields.
- O'Donnell, Jerry, stu., 140 E. Union.
- O'Donnell, Mary, dom., 329 S. High.
- O'Donnell, Thos. E., contractor, 140 E. Union.
- Odel, M. E., dress maker, 202 W. Gay.
- Ogden, Alena M., teacher, 117 E. Washington.
- Ogier, Caroline B., 220 S. Church.
- Ogier, Catharine G., 220 S. Church.
- Ogier, St. Julien, 220 S. Church.
- Ogier, Thos. L., lay reader, 220 S. Church.
- O'Neill, Mrs. Catharine, 734 S. Matlack.
- O'Neill, Jas., stone mason, 734 S. Matlack.
- O'Neill, Katie A., 734 S. Matlack.
- O'Neill, Mary, 734 S. Matlack.
- O'Neill, Thos. F., stone mason, 309 S. Matlack.
- O'Neill, Wm. J., stone mason, 734 S. Matlack.
- Opera House, U. H. Painter, Prop., 219 N. High.
- Osborn, Elmer E., spoke mill hand, 524 S. Franklin.
- Osborn, Geo. L., spoke mill hand, 524 S. Franklin.
- Osborn, Lavinia H., Com. 309 S. Walt.
- Osborn, Mary E., s. u. 524 S. Franklin.
- Osborn, Sallie R., 524 S. Franklin.
- Osborn, Samuel D., spoke mill hand, 123 Lacey.
- Osborne, Dr. A. E., 17 S. Church.
- Osborne, Mrs. H. A., 17 S. Church.
- Otis, Chas. B., lab., 226 Nields.
- Otley, Bertha, 108 W. Gay.
- Otley, Edwin, 507 S. Church.
- Otley, Harry, motorman, 103 N. Darlington.
- Otley, Herbert, clerk, 108 W. Gay.
- Otley, Rebecca, dress maker, 108 W. Gay.
- Owen, Laura D., 600 S. High.
- Owens, Mrs. Florence C., 3 S. Walnut.
- Owens, Harry, dental instruments, 134 E. Union.
- PAINTER, U. H., lumber and ice, 203 N. High.
- Painter, Frank O., 203 N. High.
- Painter, Susanna M., 31 E. Miner.
- Paist, C. Henry, spoke works hand, 118 W. Barnard.
- Faist, Bertha T., 119 W. Barnard.
- Paist, Jesse W., 116 W. Barnard.
- Paiste, Mrs. R. L., 304 N. High.
- Paiste, Sarah R., 304 N. High.
- Palmer, Alice S., 17 W. Union.
- Palmer, Caroline W. Barclay Home.
- Palmer, Dr. C. R., 302 N. High; h., 300 N. High.
- PALMER, ELLI, HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS, 10-12 W. Market; h., 17 W. Union.
- Palmer, E. L., 404 W. Miner.
- Palmer, Florence E., 17 W. Union.
- Palmer, Geo. J., Mr. Ross Palmer, 14 W. Market; h., 436 S. Walnut.
- Palmer, H. Ralph, electrician, 32 S. High.
- Palmer, James, farm hand, 411 W. Market.
- Palmer, Lida D., 32 S. High.
- Palmer, Linda B., 17 W. Union.
- Palmer, Louis J., 17 W. Union.
- Palmer, Th. S. M., nurse, 206 E. Gay.
- PALMER, REFS. PLUMBER, HOUSEFURNISHING GOODS, 14 W. Market; h., 32 S. High.
- Palmer, Susan C., 404 W. Miner.
- Palmer, Wm. T., 404 W. Miner.
- Parker, Chas. W., mech., 225 N. New.

- Park, Arthur T., att'y, Mansion House.
- Parker, Edgar J., dry goods, 19 W. Gay; h., 21 W. Gay.
- Parker, Elizabeth B., Virginia Ave.
- Parker, Geo. H., lab., 313 E. Miner.
- Parker, Jos. P., hub turner, 203 W. Fayette.
- Parker, Mrs. Mary B., Virginia Ave.
- Parker, Mrs. M. L., 236 E. Biddle.
- Parker, Wm. A., mech., N. New, N. of Ashbridge.
- Parry, Evans, lab., 119 E. Gay.
- Parry, John D., grocer, 108 E. Gay; h., 110 E. Gay.
- Parry, Lillian A., 110 E. Gay.
- Parshall, Eulah W., 400 S. Church.
- Parshall, Edith S., 400 S. Church.
- Passmore, Daniel, conductor, 114 E. Barnard.
- Passmore, Mrs. Elli H., 4 W. Market.
- Passmore, J. Pusey, 628 S. Walnut.
- Passmore, Jos., 124 S. Church.
- Passmore, Jos., 303 Hannum Ave.
- Passmore, Levi, conductor, 123 E. Market.
- Passmore, Pennock, driver, 303 Hannum Ave.
- Passmore, R. Haines, real estate agent, 16 E. Market; h., 628 S. Walnut.
- Passmore, Rebecca G., 124 S. Church.
- Passmore, Sarah M., 33 Price.
- Passmore, S. W., 33 Price.
- Passmore, W. C., 124 S. Church.
- Patchell, Laura, 423 W. Union.
- Patchell, E. W., brakeman, 124 E. Union.
- Patrick, Dr. Ellwood, 212 W. Gay.
- Patrick, E. Earl, 453 W. Gay.
- Patrick, Lottie E., nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.
- Patrick, Park, 453 W. Gay.
- Patrick, R. Jones, Clerk of Courts, 453 W. Gay.
- Patterson, Barclay, foundryman, 116 E. Miner.
- Patterson, Harry T., clerk, 71 S. High.
- Patterson, Mrs. Ida, 31 S. High.
- Patterson, Jas. waiter, 53 E. Miner.
- Patterson, Leonard, 310 E. Gay.
- Patterson, Marshall, 603 S. Walnut.
- Patton, Chas., lab., 312 E. Gay.
- Patton, Frank P., shoe dealer, cor. Gay and Church; 293 E. Wash'ton.
- Patton, Jas. driver, 239 S. Matlack.
- Patton, Wm., lab., 333 Hannum Ave.
- Paxson, Chas. S., 119 S. Church.
- Paxson, Edward S., architect, 119 S. Church.
- Paxson, Hannah, Friends' Boarding Home.
- Paxson, Mary B., 204 Price.
- Paxson, Maryatt B., clerk, 204 Price.
- Paxson, Mrs. Phebe S., 119 S. Ch'h.
- Paxson, Rachel, Friends' Boarding Home.
- Paxson, S. M., Justice of Peace, 6 S. High; h., 204 Price.
- Paxton, Lettie, 417 W. Market.
- Paxton, Mame, dress maker, 417 W. Market.
- Paxton, Margaret, dress maker, 417 W. Market.
- Paxton, Mary, dress maker, 417 W. Market.
- Pearce, Harriet P., 33 W. Miner.
- Pearson, Anna, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.
- Pearson, Sallie, 215 W. Miner.
- Peck, Mrs. Kate, 519 S. Matlack.
- Peck, Mary F., dress maker, 519 S. Matlack.
- Peirce, Anna Elizabeth, 337 W. Barnard.
- Peirce, Bertha C., 322 W. Miner.
- Peirce, Sidney Y., 124 S. High.
- Peirce, Miss Edith G., stenographer, 3 W. Gay.
- Peirce, Ernest F., florist, 222 W. Miner.
- Peirce, Isaac H., 337 W. Barnard.
- Peirce, John R., 9 N. Church.
- Peirce, Marion V., 322 W. Miner.
- Penn Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Assembly Building, N. High.
- Pennel, Jas., separator works hand, 438 W. Gay.
- Pennock, Lena E., 218 W. Chestnut.
- Pennock, M. Estella, 131 Lacey.
- Pennock, Mary J., 212 W. Wash'ton.
- Pennock, Sarah A., 212 W. Wash'ton.
- Pennypacker, Alice, 311 S. Walnut.
- Pennypacker, Chas. H., att'y, 13 N. High; h., 134 E. Chestnut.
- Pennypacker, J. Julson, trucker, 147 E. Miner.
- Pennypacker, Wilmer W., cle k, 311 S. Walnut.
- Penrose, Andrew, driver, 122 E. Miner.
- Penrose, Lucy, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.
- Penrose, Michael, far, 216 W. Chestnut.
- Peoples, Harry L., wood lathe, 141 E. Gay.
- Peoples, Mrs. Mary E., boarding house, 141 E. Gay.
- Pergin, Minnie E., dom., 26 S. Ch'h.
- Peterman, Lewis, engineer, 427 S. Church.
- Peters, Harry, engineer, 203 E. Marshall.
- Phemes Mrs. Ruth A., 121 W. Union.
- Philips, Mrs. Elizabeth P., Barclay Home.
- PHILIPS, DR. G. M., PRINCIPAL S. N. S., 700 S. High.
- Phillips, Wm. P., stu., 700 S. High.
- Phillips, Prof. Walter L., 40 S. High.
- Phipps, Elisha, 119 W. Miner.
- Phipps, James, 205 E. Chestnut.
- Phipps, Mary, 202 N. Church.
- Pierce, Anna, tailoress, 222 N. Darlington.
- Pierce, Benj., 205 S. Walnut.
- Pierce, E. E., hatter and furnisher, 1 W. Gay; h., 16 Price.
- Pierce, Frank S., clerk, 312 N. Darlington.
- Pierce, Frank G., waiter, 316 Hannum Ave.
- Pierce, Howard W., engineer, 322 N. Darlington.
- Pierce, Harry, tinsmith, 38 N. Darlington.
- Pierce, Mrs. Isabella, 217 S. Church.
- Pierce, Joshua, brick layer, 304 E. Union.
- Pierce, John M., 412 W. Union.
- Pierce, John W., shoemaker, 116 N. Church; h., 222 N. Darlington.
- Pierce, Laura E., 207 S. Walnut.
- Pierce, Lillian W., 205 S. Walnut.
- Pierce, Lizzie, saleslady, 222 N. Darlington.
- Pierce, Mrs. M. A., 3 W. Gay.
- Pierce, Martha A., 410 E. Gay.
- Pierce, Priscilla, 319 S. Church.
- Pierce, Sarah J., 110 W. Market.
- Pierce, Thos. W., att'y, 111 N. High; h., 403 S. Church.
- Pierce, Thos. W., Jr., 403 S. Church.
- Pierce, Thos. G., Turk's Head Hotel.
- PIERCE, W. A., DRUGS, STATIONERY AND ART GOODS, 23 N. High; h., 412 W. Union.
- Pierson, Frank, 229 W. Union.
- Pike, Doremus W., bookkeeper, 27 Price.
- Pike, Rachel A., 27 Price.
- Pioneer Corps, West Chester, No. 1, 8 W. Market.
- Pinkerton, Chas., Virginia Ave.
- Pinkerton, Elizabeth, Virginia Ave.
- Pinkerton, John J., att'y, 119 N. High; h., Virginia Ave.
- Pinkerton, Sue D., Virginia Ave.
- Pirches, Margaret A., 229 Wollerton.
- Pirches, Samuel H., 229 Wollerton.
- Place, Benj. F., milk route, 122 W. Chestnut.
- Place, Jennie, 126 W. Chestnut.
- Police Headquarters, Assembly Building.
- Polen, Margaret, dom., 102 S. High.
- Polk, Jacob J., baggage master, 31 E. Miner.
- Pontzler, Chas. T., painter, 202 Sharpless.
- Porter, Annie, dom., 19 W. Barnard.
- Portz, Andrew, shoe maker, 316 W. Chestnut.
- Portz, Anna, dom., 316 W. Chest't.
- Portz, Miss Carrie, 210 E. Gay.
- Portz, Louisa, dom., 316 W. Chest't.
- Postal Telegraph Office, 23 N. High.
- Post Office, 18 S. Church.
- Powell, Chas., brakeman, 30 E. Miner.
- Powers, Mrs. Ellen, 229 N. New.
- Powers, John, 229 N. New.
- Prall, C. H., fruits and confections, 116 W. Gay; h., 118 W. Gay.
- Pratt, Mrs. Amy, Friends' Boarding Home.
- Pratt, Alice, 18 Price.
- Pratt, Fannie, 203 S. Walnut.
- Pratt, Granville P., separator works, 132 E. Washington.
- Pratt, Herbert, 203 S. Walnut.
- Pratt, Jennie, 203 S. Walnut.
- Pratt, Mrs. Lydia, 112 W. Barnard.
- Pratt, Mary E., 18 Price.
- Pratt, Miss Mary, 210 W. Barnard.
- Pratt, Maurice, book keeper, 203 S. Walnut.
- Pratt, Priscilla, 203 S. Walnut.
- Pratt, Wm. H., creamery, 132 E. Washington.
- Price, Annie, dom., N. Penn.
- Price, D., domestic, 442 N. High.
- Price, Clara A., 314 E. Miner.
- Price, Edward, cook, 207 W. Fayette.
- Price, H. race W., waiter, 31 E. Miner.
- Price, Dr. Jacob, 114 S. Church; h., 1st house, Dr. Price's farm, W. of S. New.
- PRICE, JOSE. T., MACHINIST, cor. Matlack and Miner; h., 25 W. Barnard.
- Price, Lucius D., taxidermist, 41 W. Gay.
- Price, Matilda E., 216 W. Miner.
- Price, Mrs. Mary A., 606 S. High.
- Price, Martha S., 216 W. Miner.
- Price, Mrs. Rebecca, 323 E. Barnard.
- Price, Rachel, stu., 323 E. Barnard.
- Price, M. S. Sarah, 529 E. Barnard.
- Price, Thos., brick maker, 315 S. Adams.
- Price, Wm. H., brick maker, 323 E. Barnard.
- Price, Wm. H., quarryman, 409 E. Barnard.
- Priest, L. A., milliner, 134 W. Gay; h., 132 W. Gay.
- Priest, L. E., educationist, 12 W. Gay.
- Priest, Rebecca, 200 E. Gay.
- Priest, W. Harry, harness maker, 117 N. Darlington.
- Priest, Wilfred, carp., 310 W. Washington.
- Priest, Wm., 200 E. Gay.
- Priest, W. Edgar, clerk, 200 E. Gay.
- Priest, W. G., conductor, 132 W. Gay.
- Prigg, Isaac, grocer, 315 E. Miner.
- Proctor, Peasey L., 117 W. Biddle.
- Proctor, Mrs. Jennie, 117 W. Biddle.
- Proctor, Rebecca J., 117 W. Biddle.
- Prudential Insurance Co., 6 W. Gay.
- Public Library, cor. Church and Fayette.
- Pugh, Clara J., dress maker, 114 W. Barnard.
- Pugh, Ida M., tailoress, 114 W. Barnard.
- Pugh, M. S. Mary J., 114 W. Barnard.
- Purnsley, Sallie, 307 S. Adams.
- Purnsley, Mary, 317 S. Adams.
- Purnsley, Jesse, brick maker, 307 S. Adams.
- Purnsley, Percy, lab., 307 S. Adams.
- Pusey, Marshall Y., salesman, 214 Price.
- Purcell, Mrs. Martha A., 338 W. Gay.
- Purtell, Mary, 253 E. Chestnut.
- Pye, Dr. Ernest L., optician, 4 E. Market; h., 115 S. Darlington.
- Pyle, Abner, att'y, 721 S. High.
- Pyle, Alfred L., brick maker, 217 W. Chestnut.
- Pyle, Mrs. Anna G., 621 S. Walnut.
- Pyle, Mrs. Anna T., 435 S. High.
- Pyle, Clara, 117 E. Biddle.
- Pyle, Caleb V., shoe maker, 231 N. Darlington.
- Pyle, Edith M., 42 W. Barnard.
- Pyle, Rev. Elias, 215 S. New.
- Pyle, Gertrude E., 117 W. Barnard.
- Pyle, Homer, engineer, 232 E. Gay.
- Pyle, John A., sol. cor., 117 W. Barnard.
- Pyle, John J., bakery and confectionery, 121 W. Gay; h. 123 W. Gay.
- Pyle, J. S. A., clerk, 615 S. Walnut.

- Pyle, James E., Supt. Electric Light Works, 117 E. Biddle.
- Pyle, Lindley B., engineer, 725 S. Walnut.
- Pyle, Lafayette, 311 W. Union.
- PYLE, L. A. W., CO., BAKERY AND CONFECTIONERY, 121 W. Gay.
- Pyle, Mary L., 203 W. Miner.
- Pyle, Maggie C., 117 E. Biddle.
- Pyle, Martha, 'Friends' Boarding Home.
- Pyle, Worrell, 231 N. Darlington.
- Pyle, Wesley J. C., agent, 629 S. Walnut.
- Q**UAY, Mrs. Phebe, 142 E. Miner.
- Quigley, Thos., nursery hand, 321 W. Market.
- Quigley, Jos. P., junk dealer, 321 W. Market.
- Quigley, Susan, 321 W. Market.
- Quigley, Mrs. Thos., 321 W. Market.
- Quigley, Wm., junk dealer, 410 W. Market.
- Quillen, W. Albert, florist, 400 W. Barnard.
- Quillen, Wm. H., saddler, 400 W. Barnard.
- Quillen, Walter A., 400 W. Barnard.
- Quillen, Stella F., 400 W. Barnard.
- Quinn, Hannah, 223 W. Miner.
- R**AMBLER, J. E., letter carrier, 227 W. Barnard.
- Rambo, Clarence B., spoke mill hand, 232 Dean.
- Rambo, Anna V., dress maker, 136 M. Market.
- Rambo, Mrs. Elizabeth C., 222 W. Barnard.
- Rambo, Emma S., dress maker, 136 W. Market.
- Rambo, Eli, watchman, 222 E. Gay.
- Rambo, Mary M., 222 E. Gay.
- Rambo, Maurice, mech., 419 S. Mat'lk.
- Rambo, Nathan R., surveyor, 136 W. Market.
- Rambo, Sarah L., boarding house, 136 Magnolia.
- Rambo, Sarah W., clerk, 136 W. Market.
- Rambo, Mrs. W. V., 136 W. Market.
- Rambo, Wm. C., railroader, 136 Magnolia.
- Ramsey, Elmer H., driver, 215 S. Darlington.
- Ramsey, Eleanor R., 413 N. Walnut.
- Ramsey, Esienela M., 113 E. Barn'd.
- Ramsey, Edith M., 413 N. Walnut.
- Ramsey, Harriet G., stu., 113 E. Barnard.
- Ramsey, John painter, 113 E. Barn'd.
- Ramsey, Mary, 5 N. Walnut.
- Ramsey, Mary, nurse, 5 N. Walnut.
- Ramsey, Samuel D., att'y., 123 N. High; h., 413 N. Walnut.
- Ramsey, Wellington J., painter, 126 E. Miner.
- Rapp, Amos, F., clerk, 311 S. Darl'ton.
- Rapp, Chas. D., brick layer, 301 S. New.
- Rapp, Daniel J., paper hanger, 118 E. Miner.
- Rapp, John T., manuf., 301 S. New.
- Rapp, Lillie M., 118 E. Miner.
- Rapp, Stephen H., p'um'b., 31 S. New.
- Rapp, Thos. J., carp., 311 S. Darl'ton.
- Rapp, Walter C., clerk, 311 S. Darlington.
- Rapp, Barnett R., manuf., 301 S. New.
- Ray, Albert, lab., 632 E. Miner.
- Ray, Mrs. Annie, 632 E. Miner.
- Ray, Emma, 632 E. Miner.
- Ray, Geo. W., hostler, 26 W. Barn'd.
- Ray, Irene H., 26 W. Barnard.
- Ray, Oscar W., trucker, 631 E. Miner.
- Ray, Wm. E., waiter, 412 E. Miner.
- Raymond, Alice, 112 Poplar.
- Raymond, Chas., lab., 112 Poplar.
- Raymond Webs'er, lab., 301 S. Adams.
- Rayner, J. B., V. S., 135 E. Gay.
- Reagan, Chas. W., wheel finisher, 140 Lacey.
- Reagan, Edward, clerk, 140 Lacey.
- Reagan, Irwin G., wheel finisher, 140 Lacey.
- Ragan, J. A., engineer, 140 Lacey.
- Reagan, Jos. E., spoke finisher, 130 Magnolia.
- Reagan, Lawrence, stu., 140 Lacey.
- Reagan, Mary H., 140 Lacey.
- Red Men, Improved Order of, 111 W. Market.
- Redmond, Jas., car cleaner, 402 W. Gay.
- Redmond, Thos. M., electrician, 121 W. Fayette.
- Reece, Asenath H., 122 W. Miner.
- Reece, Wm., mech., 233 W. Chest't.
- Reed, Chas., spoke finisher, 136 Nields.
- Reed, Frank, nurseryman, 506 Nields.
- Reed, Helen M., 337 S. Adams.
- Reed, Henry, lab., 308 E. Union.
- Reed, Mary, 107 S. Church.
- Reed, Matilda, 500 E. Miner.
- Reed, Mrs. Sarah M., 337 S. Adams.
- Reed, Wesley, contractor, 506 Nields.
- Reed, Wm. N., driver, Grove House, W. Miner.
- Reeder, J. L., green grocer, 24 S. High.
- Reeder, Addison M., 135 N. High.
- Reeder, Mrs. Kate G., 135 N. High.
- Rees, Isaac S., florist, 118 N. New.
- Rees, Jesse, waiter, 241 E. Marshall.
- Reese, Wm. J., mgr., 227 W. Union.
- Reeves, Geo. J., salesman, 307 W. Union.
- Reeves, Herman, 307 W. Union.
- Reeves, Howard, clerk, 307 W. Union.
- Register, Anna M., 505 S. Walnut.
- Register, Clifford T., clerk, 505 S. Walnut.
- Register, Cortland, 507 S. Walnut.
- Regester, Mrs. Mary P., 595 S. Wal't.
- Regester, R. B., far., 505 S. Wal't.
- Regester, Susan, stu., 507 S. Walnut.
- Reid, Alfred P., att'y., 7 S. High; h., 131 W. Chestnut.
- Reid, Albert D., 601 W. Gay.
- Reid, Alice M., 601 W. Gay.
- Reid, Arthur P., stu., 131 W. Chest't.
- Reid, Edith C., 131 W. Chestnut.
- Reid, Frederic D., 601 W. Gay.
- Reid, Marion H., 601 W. Gay.
- Reighny, John, painter, 416 Hannum Ave.
- Reilly, Patrick, 50' S. Mat'lk.
- Reilly, Jas., brick layer, 387 Nields.
- Reilly, Michael, lab., 387 Nields.
- Rennard, Jane, 207 W. Miner.
- Rennard, Tamze N. A., 109 S. Mat'lk.
- Republican Union Headquarters, 13 N. High.
- Reynolds, Isaac G., steam laundry, S. Church; h., S. High, Trimble Graperies.
- Rhief, Mary, dom., 228 E. Biddle.
- Rhief, Reba, 228 S. High.
- Rhodesbach, John, driver, 104 W. Market.
- Rhodesbach, Tryon, 215 W. Union.
- Rhodes, Elizabeth, 232 Price.
- Rhoads, Jos., fish market, 408 E. Market; h., 603 S. Matlack.
- Rich, John, expressman, James' Al'y.
- Rich, Mrs. Sallie, 312 E. Miner.
- Richard, Martha L., 328 Hannum Av.
- Richards, E. B., notions, 113 W. Gay; h., 127 E. Gay.
- Richardson, Mrs. Louisa, 107 S. Worthington.
- Richardson, Florence, 328 Hannum Ave.
- Richardson, Geo., lab., 328 Hannum Ave.
- Richardson, Horace, coachman, 129 W. Union.
- Richardson, Howard E., coachman, 235 E. Market.
- Richardson, Solomon, coachman, Virginia Ave.
- Richey, M. J., milliner, 35 W. Gay.
- Richey Thos. H., 22 S. High.
- Ricks, Rachel, 13 S. High.
- Ridgely, Henry, 329 W. Union.
- Ridgely, Annie, dress maker, 136 E. Barnard.
- Rigdon, Frank, clerk, 141 E. Gay.
- Rigg, Chas. P., 247 W. Barnard.
- Rigg, Fannie D., 247 W. Barnard.
- Rigg, Mifflin L., carp., 247 W. Barn'd.
- Rigg, Nora B., 247 W. Barnard.
- Riley, Chas., 218 Magnolia.
- Riley, Bertha, S. High, Trimble Graperies.
- Riley, Chas., Jr., 218 Magnolia.
- Riley, Jas. A., printer, 218 Magnolia.
- Riley, Katie, dom., 152 E. Gay.
- Riley, Margaret F., 122 W. Union.
- Riley, Margaret L., 425 S. Walnut.
- Riley, Wm. C., nurseryman, 255 E. Chestnut.
- Riley, Rosanna F., 122 W. Union.
- Rissinger, Adam, brakeman, 134 E. Miner.
- Roach, Annie, 111 E. Miner.
- Roach, Edward, nurseryman, 111 E. Miner.
- Roach, Mary, chamber maid, Green Tree Hotel.
- Roach, Mrs. Mary, 111 E. Miner.
- Roberts, Alfred, coachman, 29 S. Church.
- Roberts, Chas. C., chemist, 223 Sharpless.
- Roberts, Mrs. Elizabeth L., 223 Sharpless.
- Roberts, E. Lavinia, dress maker, 253 B. Market.
- Roberts, Elizabeth B., 253 E. Market.
- Roberts, Elma T., stu., 253 E. Market.
- Roberts, G. O. S., clerk, 104 S. Mat'lk.
- Roberts, Isaac G., cabinet making and finishing, 223 Sharpless.
- Roberts, Jos., salesman, 612 S. High.
- Roberts, Mrs. M. A., 217 E. Wash ton.
- Roberts, M. Elma, 109 S. Matlack.
- Roberts, Rachel A., 253 E. Market.
- Robinson, C. G., millinery, 36 W. Gay.
- Robinson, Elizabeth, 142 E. Gay.
- Robinson, H. G., wall paper, 36 W. Gay.
- Robinson, Harry, Robinson & Son, 425 W. Market.
- Robinson, Isaac A., clerk, 131 W. Biddle.
- Robinson, Isaac, & Son, junk dealers, 431 W. Market; h., 425 W. Market.
- Robinson, Lew's clerk, 425 W. Market.
- Robinson Mrs. Mary A., 718 S. Wal't.
- Robinson, Samuel H., grocer, 519 E. Barnard.
- Rock, Annie O., assistant, Friends' Boarding Home.
- Rock, John, railroader, 314 N. Darlington.
- Rock, Mary, 314 N. Darlington.
- Rock, Thos., 314 N. Darlington.
- Rodeback, Wm. J., mech., 509 N. New.
- Rodebaugh, Mrs. Annie M., dress maker, 402 E. Gay.
- RODEBAUGH & CO. H. CARRIAGES AND FARM IMPLEMENTS,** S. E. cor. Gay and Walnut; h., 402 E. Gay.
- Rodgers, Mary, dom., 323 N. Church.
- Roecker, Albert B., business manager Village Record, 319 S. Wal't.
- Roecker, Clifford H., mail carrier, 6 N. Walnut.
- Roecker, Herman H., bakery and confectionery, 26 E. Gay.
- Roecker, Mary, 40 E. Gay.
- Roecker, M. G., bakery and confectionery, 102 W. Market; h., 104 W. Market.
- Rogers, Rev. Arthur, 301 S. High.
- Rogers, Mrs. Chas., 323 W. Union.
- Rogers, Evans, 110 W. Market.
- Rogers, Mrs. Ellen, 323 W. Union.
- ROGERS, F. P. DRUGGIST,** 27 W. Gay; h., 29 W. Gay.
- Rogers Thos., plum., 211 W. Market.
- Rogers, W. C., drug clerk, 27 W. Gay; h., 29 W. Gay.
- Roney, Mary, 415 W. Market.
- Ronk, Harry S., linotype operator, 24 E. Market; h., 112 S. New.
- Ronk, Hettie, dress maker, 133 W. Market.
- Roos, Ernest E., printer, 6 N. Wal't.
- Rorke, Martha J., stu., 122 E. Chest't.
- Rosenberg, E., dry goods, etc., cor. Market and Church; h., 333 W. Union.
- Ross, Mrs. Hannah P., 219 W. Miner.
- Ross, Mary, 126 S. New.
- Rothrock, Elizabeth, 428 N. Church.
- Rothrock, Dr. H. A., oculist, 24 S. Church.

- Rothrock, Dr. J. T., State Forester, Rox, Jas., clerk, 211 W. Market.  
Commissioner, 428 N. Church.  
Rouger, John, 123 S. Darlington.  
Rudolph, E. T., 123 W. Gay.  
Rudolph, Jos., lab., 213 Denny's Court.  
Rufey, Geo., painter, 112 W. Chestnut.  
Rupert, Mrs. Alfred P., books and stationery, 22 N. High; h., 21 N. High.  
Rupert, Annie B., 309 N. Franklin.  
Rupert, Ethel, 221 W. Miner.  
Rupert, Frank B., clerk, 21 N. High.  
Rupert, Geo. M., att'y, 13 N. High; h., 309 N. Franklin.  
Rupert, Jennie, 221 W. Miner.  
Rupert & Phillips, conveyancers and money lenders, Assembly Bldg.  
Rupert, John A., cashier, Dime Savings Bank, 221 W. Miner.  
Rupert, John, 340 W. Union.  
Rupert, Mabel, 221 W. Miner.  
Russell, Hal S., 425 W. Miner.  
Russell, Harvey C., pl., 341 N. New.  
Russell, Jas. L., 232 E. Gay.  
Russell, Mrs. Ida, laundress, 19 S. New.  
Russell, S. B., Justice of Peace, 17 S. High; h., 425 W. Miner.  
Rustin, Jas., printer, 119 E. Miner.  
Ruth, James D., Mec., 215 E. Gay.  
Ruth, Mrs. S. K., 142 W. Market.  
Ruth, Wm., engineer, 124 Magnolia.  
Ryan, Francis P., quarryman, 69 S. New.  
Ryan, John, bartender, Mansion House.  
Ryan, John, lab., 122 E. Miner.  
Ryan, Katie, dom., N. Penn.  
SAGER, Ella, 121 W. Barnard.  
Sager, Wm., sawyer, 121 W. Barnard.  
Sahler, Abraham D., 319 N. High.  
Sahler, Dr. David Z., dentist, 21 N. High.  
Sahler, Harriet D., teacher, 339 W. Miner.  
Sahler, John B., 21 N. High.  
Sahler, Lela N., 319 N. High.  
Sahler, Miss Rebecca, 331 W. Miner.  
Sailer, Geo., confectionery, wholesale and retail, 139 N. Church; h., 128 N. Church.  
Samples, Nellie, purchasing agent, 137 E. Market.  
Samples, Reuben R., engineer, 137 E. Market.  
Samples, Reuben, fireman, 707 S. Matlack.  
Sankey, Martha, 116 E. Washington.  
Sargent, Jackson, Aitken & Sargent, h., 201 N. Church.  
Sauserman, Anra, laundress, 21 W. Biddle.  
Sauserman, John, lab., 221 W. Biddle.  
Sauserman, Lottie, laundress, 221 W. Biddle.  
Sauserman, Willie, mach., 221 W. Biddle.  
Savery, Chas. W., bookkeeper, 28 S. High.  
Savery, Edward W., 223 W. Miner.  
Savery, Edward, mechanical engineer, 223 W. Miner.  
Savery, Mary H., 223 W. Miner.  
Scott, David J., lumber, 110 E. Chestnut; h., 516 N. Church.  
Scott, Geo. R., carp., 121 S. Darlington.  
Scott, Hannah A., 432 E. Miner.  
Scott, John E., clerk, 405 N. New.  
Scott, Katherine M., dress maker, 405 N. New.  
Scott, Mary, 117 W. Union.  
Scott, Miles M., clerk, 131 E. Washington.  
Scott, Dr. R. M., dentist, 111 S. Ch'h; h., 102 S. High.  
Scott, Rachel, dom., 116 W. Miner.  
Scott, Thos., 105 N. New.  
Scott, Wm. J., clerk, 405 N. New.  
Scattergood, Geo., 11 S. Church.  
Scattergood, Geo. J., 403 S. Church.  
Scattergood, Dr. Jos., 11 S. Church.  
Scattergood, Mrs. Jos., 403 S. High.  
Scattergood, T. Walter, lumber, 513 S. Walnut.  
Scattergood, Wm., 427 N. Walnut.  
Schaffer, Benj. Gray, 113 W. Market.  
Schmucker, Dr. S. C., musician, 8 N. S.; h., 601 S. High.  
Schoenberger, Max, shoe maker, 14 E. Market.  
Schofield, Stanley, lineman, 418 W. Market.  
Schoenmaker, Mrs. M. V., 313 S. High.  
Schrader, Carl G., gymnasium instructor, S. N. S.  
Schroth, Lorenzo D., painter, 37 W. Biddle.  
Schuber, S. L., mach., Eagle Hotel.  
Seal, Alva H., 509 S. Church.  
Seal, Clarence V., 104 Price.  
Seal, Jesse, 104 Price.  
Seal, Susan W., Matron, S. N. S.  
Seamon, Nettie G., dom., 122 E. Gay.  
Sears, Chas. W., bar., Eagle Hotel.  
Sechrist, Henry, book keeper, 6 W. Gay.  
Sechrist, Martha E., dress maker, 6 W. Gay.  
Seeds, Enos, livery, 19-21 W. Miner; h., 17 W. Miner.  
Seeds, Annie E., 230 W. Barnard.  
Seeds, Amy A., 239 W. Barnard.  
Seibert, Blanche A., dom., 510 S. High.  
Seibert, Mrs. Sun A., 705 W. Biddle.  
Seibert, Carrie A., teacher, 305 W. Biddle.  
Seibert, Mabel S., seamstress, 305 W. Biddle.  
Seitz, John, drug clerk, 27 W. Gay; h., Green Tree.  
Selden, E. D., Mansion House.  
Sellers, Bertha E., stu., 537 S. Wall.  
Sellers, D. Alfred, salesman, 337 S. Walnut.  
Sellers, Jas. C., att'y, 14 W. Chestnut.  
Sellers, Jas. C., Jr., stu., 421 N. Matlack.  
Sellers, Leonard, 319 N. Darlington.  
Sellers, Mrs. Mary G., 42 W. Barnard.  
Sellers, Mrs. Mary G., nurse, 203 W. Biddle.  
Senf, Mrs. Elizabeth, 26 W. Union.  
Senf, Christina, 26 W. Union.  
Senger, Harry R., carp., 231 W. Washington.  
Sensenig, Prof. D. M., instructor, S. N. S.  
Sensenig, Mrs. D. M., instructor, S. N. S.  
Server, Mrs. Catherine A., 241 W. Barnard.  
Shafer, Mrs., 442 N. High.  
Shaner, Broome R., 422 W. Miner.  
Shaner, W. L., lineman, 123 E. Miner.  
Shank, David, wheel works hand, 335 S. Franklin.  
Shank, Elizabeth, 621 S. Walnut.  
Shank, John, mech., 621 S. Walnut.  
Shank, Lewis, driver, 621 S. Walnut.  
Sharp, Jos., lab., 121 Poplar.  
Sharp, Mrs. Sarah M., Parlay Home.  
Sharre, Bayard H., 314 W. Barnard.  
Sharpe, Harvey D., carp., 217 S. N. W.  
Shayne, Howard W., brick layer, 314 W. Barnard.  
Sharles, A. D., brick dealer, 12 Union; h., 22 Dean.  
Sharles, Ann P., 400 S. Church.  
Sharles, Alfred, 400 S. Church.  
Sharles, D. T., Supt. Separator Works, Maple Ave.  
Sharles, Elizabeth R., 22 Dean.  
Sharles, Edward D., mach., 33 E. Washington.  
Sharles, Mary A., 22 Dean.  
Sharles, Martha, clerk, 33 E. Washington.  
Sharles, Pablo P., 400 S. Church.  
Sharles, P. M., Separator Works, 115 N. Franklin.  
Sharles, S. Frank, lumber, N. Matlack; h., 33 E. Washington.  
Sharles, Serrill J., lumber, 340 E. Biddle.  
Sharles, Wm. P., 22 Dean.  
Sharpless, Annie, 411 S. Matlack.  
Sharpless, Abne G., 223 S. Walnut.  
Sharpless, Ann, 102 S. Church.  
Sharpless, Ethel M., 11 Price.  
Sharpless, Elmer R., 1 N. Matlack.  
Sharpless, Elmer E., fireman, 141 Niels.  
Sharpless, Geo. W., wheelwright, W. Miner; h., 412 W. Market.  
SHARPLESS & HALL (EDWARD H. HALL, WM. P. SHARPLESS), COAL AND WOOD, 215 N. Walnut.  
Sharpless, Harry R., agricultural implements, 20 N. Walnut; h., 125 Lacey.  
Sharpless, Howard, brick layer, 128 E. Miner.  
Sharpless, Mrs. Hannah W., Matron Friends' Boarding Home, 44 N. Walnut.  
Sharpless, J. C., civil engineer, 1 N. Matlack.  
Sharpless, Jacob, 309 S. High.  
SHARPLESS & LEEDOM, FARMING AND AGRICULTURAL WAREHOUSES, 20 N. Walnut.  
Sharpless, Mrs. M. T., 26 S. Walnut.  
Sharpless, Mary N., 129 E. Barnard.  
Sharpless, Mary R., 126 E. Barnard.  
Sharpless, Mary W., 103 S. Walnut.  
Sharpless, Ora, 128 E. Miner.  
Sharpless, Phebe, 134 N. Church.  
Sharpless, Susanna F., 102 S. Church.  
Sharpless, Susanna, 102 S. Church.  
Sharpless, Smith, spoke mill hand, 17 Price.  
Sharpless, Sallie T., 111 S. Matlack.  
Sharpless, Dr. W. T., 100 S. Church.  
Sharpless, Wm. P., Sharpless & Hall, coal, 215 N. Walnut; h., 401 N. Franklin.  
Sharpless, Wm. H., auc., 223 S. Walnut.  
Sharpless, Wesley D., helper, 412 W. Market.  
Shaw, Milton M., conductor, 130 Magnolia.  
Shaw, Marshall, mer., 3 S. Walnut.  
Shea, John, painter, 124 W. Union.  
Shea, Alice, dom., 219 W. Miner.  
Shearer, John F., mach., 329 W. Gay.  
Shearer, Tessa, teacher, 329 W. Gay.  
Shearer, Mrs. R. W., 329 W. Gay.  
Shearer, Elizabeth, clerk, 329 W. Gay.  
Shepherd, Monroe, contractor, 206 W. Chestnut.  
Shepherd, Rev. S. P., 311 S. Matlack.  
Shepherd, Clara J., teacher, 411 S. Matlack.  
Shennard, Samuel M., hackman, 27 N. Church.  
Sheridan, Chas., 110 S. Matlack.  
Sherman, S. G., glass and wooden ware, 28 E. Gay; h., 30 E. Gay.  
Sherrard, Mrs., 126 W. Gay.  
Sherrard Mrs. Ruth, 108 N. Darlington.  
Shields, Edward, lab., 221 Niels.  
Shields, Edward E., book keeper, 416 W. Union.  
Shields, L. Herbert, clerk, Daily Local News, 228 W. Gay.  
Shields, James T., lab., 221 Niels.  
Shields, Sarah E., 228 W. Gay.  
Shields, Ada, 228 W. Gay.  
Shingle, Howard N., mech., 131 W. Biddle.  
Shingles, Marmie, dress maker, 351 E. Biddle.  
Shingles, Eva, 351 E. Biddle.  
Shingles, Levi Jr., stu., 351 E. Biddle.  
Shingles, Levi M., carp., 351 E. Biddle.  
Shirley, Mrs. Matilda J., 119 S. Franklin.  
Shirley, Jas., far., 110 S. Matlack.  
Shirley, John, 119 S. Franklin.  
Shirley, Chas. H., bar., 119 S. Franklin.  
Shoemaker, Mrs. A. E., 212 W. Gay.  
Shoemaker, Sarah E., 29 Price.  
Short, Isaac, Jr., milk dealer, 120 E. Miner.  
Short, Ardona, carp., 120 E. Miner.  
Short, Euna, dress maker, 120 E. Miner.  
Short, Isaac L., lab., 120 E. Miner.  
Short, Mrs. Jennie, 19 S. Church.  
Shover, Ira L., engineer, 17 S. New.  
Shunk, Devault, brakeman, 22 N. Walnut.  
Shunk, Jas., engineer, 246 E. Gay.  
Sidwell, Mrs. Sarah, 26 S. High.  
Sidwell, Mrs. J. J., 447 N. Church.  
Simcox, Elizabeth C., 227 W. Gay.  
Simmler, John, baker, 23 E. Market; h., 221 E. Market.  
Simms, Geo. W., lab., 427 N. New.  
Simms, Wm., lab., 233 Evans.

- Simpson, Emily S., 403 N. New.  
 Simpson, Mary E., sal. slady, 403 N. New.  
 Simpson, Wm. H., watchman, 403 N. New.  
 Siple, Grant, fireman, 137 E. Barn'd.  
 Slawter, W. H., lumber dealer, 257 E. Chestnut.  
 Sloan, Lizzie D., 126 N. Church.  
 Smart, Caroline, dom., 522 N. Ch'n.  
 Smead, Wm., carp., 222 W. Wash'ton.  
 Smedley, Mrs. Anna S., 119 E. Gay.  
 Smedley, Anna B., teacher, 122 S. New.  
 Smedley, Anna M., 134 N. Church.  
 Smedley, Bessie M., teacher, 202 W. Chestnut.  
 Smedley, M. S. D. C., 118 W. Miner.  
 Smedley, Miss Do. a., 1 S. W. M. ner.  
 Smedley, Emeline S., book keeper, 202 W. Chestnut.  
 Smedley, Miss E. C., 118 W. Miner.  
 Smedley, Elizabeth M., 122 S. New.  
 Smedley, Lucy Irene, teacher, 122 S. New.  
 Smedley, Nellie L., 202 W. Chestnut.  
 Smedley, Hayard W., carp., 124 S. New.  
 Smedley, Peter, clerk, 135 E. Union.  
 Smedley, Philena H., 206 W. Miner.  
 Smedley, Peter J., 120 E. Biddle.  
 Smedley, Roland, wholesale coal dealer, 228 E. Biddle.  
 Smedley, Susan, teacher, 122 S. New.  
 Smedley, Stephen, carp., 202 W. Chestnut.  
 Smedley, Wm. D., carp., 402 W. Miner.  
 Smetzler, Philip H., spoke works, 255 W. Chestnut.  
 Smiley, Miss Elizabeth, 7 N. High.  
 Smiley, Wm. J., clerk, 429 N. New.  
 Smiley, Wm., merr., 26 W. Market; h., 429 N. New.  
 Smith, Abbie M., dom., 122 Bolmar.  
 Smith, Mrs. Abigail, 306 E. Miner.  
 Smith, Adam, shoe maker, 315 W. Market.  
 Smith, A. M., police, 225 E. Market.  
 Smith, Adriana, 225 E. Market.  
 Smith, M. S., Amy P. 411 N. Darlington.  
 Smith, Anthony, nurseryman, 18 N. New.  
 Smith, Anna L., 308 S. Walnut.  
 Smith, Mrs. Anna, Manston House.  
 Smith, Mrs. Annie, boarding house, 33 E. Miner.  
 Smith, Augusta, tennorress, 28 S. High.  
 Smith, Barton, 404 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Bertha, dom., 34 S. High.  
 Smith, Bertha, 225 E. Market.  
 Smith, Catherine, com., 105 S. High.  
 Smith, C. B., clerk, 104 W. Market.  
 Smith, C. Edwin, packer, 521 S. Walt.  
 Smith, C. Marion, 202 E. Gay.  
 Smith, David, hickman, 221 S. a. pless.  
 Smith, Edith, 100 S. Church.  
 Smith, Edward L., paper hanger, 113 N. Darlington.  
 Smith, Elsie May, 238 W. Barnard.  
 Smith, Elwood, Prop. Eagle Hotel, Gay and Walnut.  
 Smith, Mrs. E., 227 E. Washington.  
 Smith, Florence, dom., N. Penn.  
 Smith, Frederick J., crayon maker, 220 N. Darlington.  
 Smith, G. O. B., groceries and meats, Matlack and Market; n., 235 D. an.  
 Smith's Hick and Baggage Exp. e. s., 42 S. High.  
 Smith, Mrs. Hannah S., 223 Evans.  
 Smith, Harry G., Postmaster, 121 S. Walnut.  
 Smith, Harry, hostler, 128 Price's Av.  
 Smith, Harry W., 202 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Herman J., draughtsman, 33 E. Miner.  
 Smith, Ida M., stu., 113 N. Darlington.  
 Smith, Mrs. Jane, 404 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Jas. A., ice cream maker, 155 Magnolia.  
 Smith, J. Burton, clerk, 119 E. Gay.  
 Smith, J. B., undertaker, 117 1/2 E. Gay; h., 119 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Jennie D., milliner, 141 E. Market; h., 202 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Jos. L., fireman, 227 N. Darlington.  
 Smith, John, 18 N. New.  
 Smith, John L., electrician, 227 S. Darlington.  
 Smith, Katherine, com., 421 N. High.  
 Smith, Katherine, com., 226 W. Market.  
 Smith, Laura M., teacher, 202 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Miss Leah C., Harday Home.  
 Smith, Lulie A., 202 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Luhe H., dress maker, 310 S. Darlington.  
 Smith, Linden L., 238 W. Barnard.  
 Smith, Mabel E., 202 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Maggie, dom., 105 S. High.  
 Smith, Malin E., mae., 112 E. Barn'd.  
 Smith, Maude A., 119 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Margaret, 226 E. Market.  
 Smith, Mrs. Mary K., Schreiner, Fontgarth Hall, 304 W. Miner.  
 Smith, Annie E., 227 S. Darlington.  
 Smith, Paul D., salesman, 27 S. High.  
 Smith, Mrs. Phebe M., 217 S. New.  
 Smith, Philip H., mach., 220 N. Darlington.  
 Smith, Robt. H., slate roofer, 229 W. Chestnut.  
 Smith, Sadie H., nurse, 25 Price.  
 Smith, Samuel, mason, 25 Price.  
 Smith, Samuel, lab., 325 W. Market.  
 Smith, S. M. & T. E., local express, Dutton's, cor. High and Miner.  
 Smith, Sheffner M., S. M. & T. E.  
 Smith, local expre. s., 531 S. Walt.  
 Smith, Stephen T., 202 E. Gay.  
 Smith, T. Evan, S. M. & T. E.  
 Smith, express, 429 S. Church.  
 Smith, T. T., tobacconist, 10-12 E. Gay, h., 27 S. High.  
 Smith, Thos., telegraph operator, 218 W. Union.  
 Smith, Wellington, lab., 136 W. Biddle.  
 Smith, W. W., brick layer, 238 W. Barnard.  
 Smith, Wm. Brinton, undertaker and carpet cleaning, 117 1/2 E. Gay; h., 119 E. Gay.  
 Smith, W. E., conductor, 126 E. Market.  
 Smith, Wm. L., 411 E. Barnard.  
 Smith, Wm., hood carrier, 122 Bolmar.  
 Smith, Wm. H., grocer., 345 E. Market; h., 302 E. Gay.  
 Smith, Wm. M., butcher, 220 N. Darlington.  
 Smith, W. Wayne, printer, 227 S. Darlington.  
 Smothers, J. W., Magnolia House, Miner and Franklin; h., 300 E. Miner.  
 Snare, Blanche L., clerk, 201 S. High.  
 Snare, Mary W., 201 S. High.  
 Snare, Mrs. Sarah E., 201 S. High.  
 Snare, Stephen G., salesman, 119 W. Chestnut.  
 Snare, Thos. P., 201 S. High.  
 Snyder, Dr. D. C., en is, 3 S. High.  
 Snyder, Elmore G., 31 S. High.  
 Snyder, Isakoh P., grocer, 101 S. Walnut.  
 Snyder, J. E., grocer, 256 E. Gay; h., 254 E. Gay.  
 Snyder, Isaac, pattern maker, 254 E. Gay.  
 Snyder, Paul E., butcher, 125 E. Barnard.  
 Sorber, Lewis, Separator Works hand, 224 W. Barnard.  
 Sorby, Mrs. Sarah, 545 S. Matlack.  
 Spalding, Rev. S. B., 223 W. Gay.  
 Spangler, M. S. Bessie, 313 S. Adams.  
 Spangler, Geo., laundryman, Ches. Co. Hospital.  
 Sparks, Abner R., upholsterer, 225 W. Biddle.  
 Sparks, Wm. H., stu., 143 W. Market.  
 Speakman, Annie D., 220 Price.  
 SPEAKMAN & CHRI. MAN, MILLINERY, 107 W. Gay.  
 Speakman, Eivita Y., teacher, 121 E. E. Union.  
 Speakman, Emma B., 611 S. Matlack.  
 Speakman, Esther, 18 W. Chestnut.  
 Speakman, Geo. T., clerk, 245 W. Barnard.  
 Speakman, M. S. Jane G., 159 E. Gay.  
 Speakman, M. Jennie, boarding house, 121 E. Union.  
 Speakman, Margaret E., teacher, 245 W. Barnard.  
 Speakman, Marshall J., 107 W. Gay.  
 Speakman, Mary A., 506 S. Walnut.  
 Speakman, Mary E., 245 W. Barn'd.  
 Speakman, Mary, 101 S. Church.  
 Speakman, Nellie C., teacher, 220 Price.  
 Speakman, Mrs. Rebecca C., 405 N. Speakman, Warren C., salesman, 220 Price.  
 Speakman, W. I. on, far., 18 W. Chestnut.  
 Speakman, Wm. H., 600 S. High.  
 Speakman, Wm. H., carp., 611 S. Matlack.  
 Speer, John H., Slater, 204 E. Gay.  
 Spence, Alberta G., 29 E. Gay.  
 Spence, Ephra M. I. b., 427 E. Barn'd.  
 Spence, Esther A., 29 E. Gay.  
 Spence, Fred L., waiter, 29 E. Gay.  
 Spence, Heiman, waiter, 113 Poplar.  
 Spence, Jas., restaurant, 29 E. Gay.  
 Spence, Linda F., 29 E. Gay.  
 Spence, Mabel, 427 E. Barnard.  
 Spriggs, Alta, dom., 21 S. Church.  
 Spriggs, Benj., brick maker, 523 E. Barnard.  
 Spriggs, Benj., Jr., 500 E. Barnard.  
 Spriggs, Enos, post and railer, 113 S. Worthington.  
 Spriggs, Henry, lab., 342 E. Market.  
 Spriggs, Mary, dom., 19 S. High.  
 Spriggs, Phebe A., 131 W. Union.  
 ST. AGNES' PAROCHIAL SCHOOL, Gay, W. of Darlington.  
 Stanley, Frank, ice plant employe, 544 S. Adams.  
 Stanley, Irene L., 503 N. High.  
 Stanley, N. J., boot and shoe maker, 141 W. Gay.  
 Stanley, Mrs. Martha A., 21 W. Barnard.  
 Stanley, Taylor, lab., 542 S. Adams.  
 Stanley, Wm., waiter, 542 S. Adams.  
 Stark, Jas., shoemaker, 6 S. Church.  
 Starkey, Prof. F. H., instructor, S. N. S.  
 STATE NORMAL SCHOOL, High bet. Normal and Rhode Ave.  
 Steam Laundry, McFarland & Reynolds, 20 S. Church.  
 Steele, Thos. A., far., 11 N. Wayne.  
 Steele, Elmer L., hostler, 11 N. Wayne.  
 Steele, Geo., bar tender, Turk's Head.  
 Steele, Millie V., 11 N. Wayne.  
 Steele, Wm., butter maker, 208 W. Chestnut.  
 Steele, Alfred J., hostler, 13 N. Wayne.  
 Steele, Wm. C., cigar manuf., 38 E. Market.  
 Steele, Mary V., Eagle Hotel.  
 Steele, P. W., clerk, Eagle Hotel.  
 Steele, Martha, 341 W. Miner.  
 Steemer, Henry W., fireman, 31 N. New.  
 Steen, John, lab., 9 S. Worthington.  
 Steen, Jos., driver, 525 E. Barnard.  
 Steen, Fannie, dom., 27 W. Barnard.  
 Steen, Fanny M., cook, 507 N. New.  
 Steen, Harry E., coachman, 507 N. New.  
 Steigers, Sarah E., dress maker, 425 S. Walnut.  
 Steigers, Mrs. Mary C., 425 S. Walt.  
 Stephens, Horace, stenographer, 121 E. Barnard.  
 Stevens, Daniel, painter and paper hanger, 234 W. Gay.  
 Stevenson, Margaret, nurse, 115 Magnolia.  
 Stevenson, Wilhelmina K., 115 E. Barnard.  
 Stevenson, Mary E., 115 E. Barn'd.  
 Stevenson, M. S. Lina, 14 S. Bolmar.  
 Stevenson, Solomon, 429 S. Adams.  
 Stevenson, Horace, lab., 429 S. Adams.  
 Stevenson, Ella, waiter, Barnard and Darlington.  
 Stevenson, John, 329 W. Market.  
 Stevenson, J. A., groceries, 200 W. Barnard.  
 Stevenson, Wm. A., grocer, 200 W. Barnard.  
 Stewart, Wm. B., grocer, Union and Matlack; h., 140 Magnolia.  
 Stewart, Mrs. Catharine, 117 S. Darlington.  
 Stewart, Wm. P., spoke mill hand, 119 W. Union.

- Stewart, Charlotte, Price's Alley.  
Stewart, M. E., clerk, 123 W. Gay.  
Stickel, Fred., book binder, 225 W. Washington.  
Stigers, Emma L., 335 W. Miner.  
Still, Hayes J., 22 W. Miner.  
Still, L. J., baggage master, 22 W. Miner.  
Still, Lillie M., 22 W. Miner.  
Still, M. May, 22 W. Miner.  
Still, Abram, 128 W. Gay.  
Stille, Mary I., Journalist, 128 W. Gay.  
Stine, M. S. A. dom., 138 E. Wash ton.  
Stone, Samuel A., mason, 229 Evans.  
Stone, Mrs. Annie Y., 103 E. Market.  
Strom, John H., driver, 341 W. Miner.  
Strom, Amy M., 341 W. Miner.  
Stradling, Edna, stu., 342 E. Biddle.  
Streaks, Lillian, dom., 435 S. Adams.  
Streaks, Arrie, dom., 435 S. Adams.  
Streaks, Howard, lab., 435 S. Adams.  
Streaks, Mrs. Esther, 435 S. Adams.  
Streets, Arenonful, dom., 112 S. Ch'h.  
Strickland, E. G., bank clerk, 127 W. Market.  
Strickland, Edward M., janitor, 136 F. Barnard.  
Strickland, Mrs. Rosella G., 127 W. Market.  
Strode, A. Darlington, 337 W. Union.  
Strode, Chas. F., 328 N. High.  
Strode, Frank E., 423 W. Union.  
Strode, Hettie G., 328 N. High.  
Strode, Mrs. R. Harry, 314 S. Wal't.  
Strode, Richard P., 328 N. High.  
Strode, Mrs. Richard, 328 N. High.  
Strode, Virginia, 337 W. Union.  
Stroud, J. G., drug clerk, 21 N. Church; h., 105 W. Gay.  
Sullivan, Thos., 100 E. Miner.  
Sutch, Clara, nurse, Nurses' Home.  
Sutton, Wm. H., lab., 410 Hannum Av.  
Sutton, Sarah E., 410 Hannum Av.  
Swartz, Benj., shoe maker, 110 E. Market; h., 147 E. Miner.  
Swartz, Hattie, stenographer, 107 E. Chestnut.  
Swartz, Louisa M., 227 W. Chest't.  
Swartz, Laura E., teacher, 227 W. Chestnut.  
Swayne, Caleb, 255 Dean.  
Swayne, Ella N., 217 E. Washington.  
Swayne, Jos. S., messenger, 21 W. Barnard.  
Sweetwood, John, clerk, Green Tree Hotel.  
Sweeney, Benj. H., 220 S. Walnut.  
Sweeney, Catherine D., 220 S. Walnut.  
Sweeney, Carrie M., teacher, 220 S. Walnut.  
Sweeney, Harry, stu., 251 E. Chest't.  
Sweeney, Henry C., painter, 122 E. Barnard.  
Sweeney, Jos., baggage master, 251 E. Chestnut.  
Sweeney, Miss Lizzie, plain sewing, 125 W. Gay.  
Sweeney's News Stand, Wilmer W. Sweeney, 18 S. Church.  
Sweeney, Sara T., teacher, 220 S. Walnut.  
Sweeney, Wilmer W., newsdealer, 125 W. Barnard.  
Swinehart, I. W., assistant, S. N. S.  
Swisher, Mrs. C. B., 328 N. High.  
Sylvester, Frank H., chalk maker, 26 N. New.  
Sylvester, Geo. G., book binder, 26 N. New.  
Sylvester, Frank G., jeweler, 20 E. Gay.  
Sylvester, Geo. S., plumber, 230 W. Market.  
Sylvester, W. Hartman, clerk, 26 N. New.  
Sylvester, Mary E., bosier, 26 N. New.  
Sylvester, Walter B., 20 W. Market.
- TAGGART, Francis H., wood inspector, 231 S. Walnut.  
Talbot, Anna J., 225 S. Church.  
Talbot, Chas L., book keeper, 225 S. Church.  
Talbot, C. Wesley, att'y, Burgess, 16 E. Market; h., 225 S. Church.  
Talbot, D. Smith, att'y, 20 E. Market; h., 215 S. Walnut.  
Talley, Howard, printer, 21 S. Wal't.
- Talley, Edward C., meat cutter, 235 W. Barnard.  
Talley, Eugene F., clerk, 204 W. Chestnut.  
Talley, John H., 204 W. Chestnut.  
Talley, Martha C., 3 W. Chestnut.  
Talley, Samuel H., clerk, 602 S. Wal't.  
Talley, Sallie B., tailoress, 204 W. Chestnut.  
Tanguy, Kate, Jones & Tanguy, 25 W. Gay; h., 23 W. Gay.  
Tax Office, Borough Treasurer, Wm. S. Underwood, Assembly Bld'g.  
TAYLOR, AMBROSE S., SPORTING GOODS, 12 N. Church; h., 21 W. Market.  
Taylor, Alelia E., 211 W. Market.  
Taylor, Alfred, sash mill hand, 213 W. Barnard.  
Taylor, Alfred, spoke turner, 233 E. Market.  
Taylor, Annie, 229 S. High.  
Taylor, Anna E., 32 S. Church.  
Taylor, Anna J., operator, 16 E. Market.  
Taylor, Caleb M., 124 E. Biddle.  
Taylor, Chas. S., 14 W. Market.  
Taylor, Caleb, agricultural implements, 115 N. Walnut; h., 127 E. Gay.  
Taylor's Dining Rooms, T. W. Taylor, Prop., 14-16 W. Market.  
Taylor, Edwin F., electrician, 107 E. Chestnut.  
Taylor, Emma, stu., 210 E. Biddle.  
Taylor, E. O., Farmers' Hotel, 211 W. Market.  
TAYLOR, ELWOOD, FLOUR AND FEED, 14-16 N. Walnut; h., 314 W. Miner.  
Taylor, Ella F., 20 E. Market.  
Taylor, E., 136 N. Church.  
Taylor, Edith S., 311 N. High.  
Taylor, Emma, 229 S. High.  
Taylor, Florence, 228 N. Franklin.  
Taylor, J. Frank, tinsmith, 16 E. Market.  
Taylor, Frank, tinsmith, 211 W. Market.  
Taylor, Geo. G., butcher, 14 S. New.  
Taylor, Geo. S., clerk, 16 E. Market.  
Taylor, J. Hibberd, teacher, 124 E. Biddle.  
Taylor, Hannah M., 32 S. Church.  
Taylor, Henrietta, 229 S. High.  
Taylor, Ida L., P. O. clerk, 233 W. Union.  
Taylor, Iva J., 127 E. Gay.  
Taylor, J. Howard, Mgr., 200-211 W. Market.  
Taylor, John H., 126 W. Barnard.  
Taylor, Jacob B., book keeper, 617 S. Walnut.  
Taylor, Jesse, 311 N. High.  
Taylor, John G., broker, 20 E. Market; h., Turk's Head Hotel.  
Taylor, Llewellyn, plumber, 224 W. Barnard.  
Taylor, Lydia J., 341 W. Barnard.  
Taylor, Lewis, 229 W. Union.  
Taylor, Mrs. Mary Ann, 131 N. Ch'h.  
Taylor, Marshall, stu., 124 E. Biddle.  
Taylor, Mary E., 223 W. Chestnut.  
Taylor, Nora, nurse, 21 S. Church.  
Taylor, Phebe M., 3 W. Biddle.  
Taylor, Sarah W., 20 E. Market.  
Taylor, Sallie W., 341 W. Barnard.  
Taylor, Thos. B., real estate, 210 E. Biddle.  
Taylor, T. W., restaurant, 14-16 W. Market.  
Taylor, Wm., lumber and mortar, 124 E. Biddle.  
Temple, Horace F., Morning Republican, 431 W. Miner.  
Temple, Wm. C., carp., 104 E. Gay.  
Temple, Thos. R., 104 E. Gay.  
Temple, Rebecca M., 42 W. Barnard.  
Temple, Frank W., clerk, 114 Price.  
Temple, Henry C., 112 Price.  
Temple, Elizabeth, Friends' Boarding Home.  
Temple, Mary A., 421 N. Walnut.  
Temple, Cidney, 421 N. Walnut.  
Temple, Jane H., 421 N. Walnut.  
Templin, Alice H., 608 S. High.  
Templin, Mrs. Lewis, 608 S. High.  
Tennis, John, 137 Lacey.
- Terrells, John, lab., 337 Hannum Av.  
Terrells, Mrs. Mary, 122 E. Miner.  
Thatcher, Arthur S., stu., 117 E. Payette.  
Thatcher, Eas E., broker, 3 S. High; h., 117 E. Payette.  
Thatcher, Emma, 402 N. Walnut.  
Thatcher, Harriet E., 117 E. Payette.  
Thatcher, Howard, 308 S. Walnut.  
Thatcher, Jesse P., druggist, 21 N. Church.  
Thatcher, J. Marion M., 21 N. Church.  
Thatcher, Charles E., stu., 117 E. Payette.  
Thatcher, Mary E., 21 N. Church.  
Thomas, Ada L., 135 W. Miner.  
Thomas, Anita Mary, 135 W. Miner.  
Thomas, Mrs. Anna H., 419 S. Mat'k.  
Thomas, Catharine, 325 W. Market.  
Thomas, Clara May, 135 W. Miner.  
Thomas, Mrs. Clara, 215 W. Wash on.  
Thomas, Edinboro, lab., 627 E. Miner.  
Thomas, Elizabeth, dom., 322 N. Matlack.  
Thomas, Esther, 300 E. Barnard.  
Thomas, Miss E. L., 304 N. High.  
Thomas, Florence J., nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.  
Thomas, Frank P., printer, 12 E. Barnard.  
Thomas, Herbert, lab., 301 E. Barnard.  
Thomas, Howard, driver, Price's Av.  
Thomas, J. Andrew, lab., 627 E. Miner.  
Thomas, Jane L., dom., 135 E. Gay.  
Thomas, Lavinia H., 135 W. Miner.  
Thomas, Levi E., dentist, 340 W. Gay.  
Thomas, Lizzie A., 328 N. High.  
Thomas, Norman, lab., 627 E. Miner.  
Thomas, R. N., 135 W. Miner.  
Thomas, Sarah P., 103 S. Walnut.  
Thomas, Sue H., 304 N. High.  
Thomas, Wm., coachman, 52 N. Darlington.  
Thompson, Agnes M., 313 S. Darlington.  
Thompson, Alex. T., painter, 313 S. Darlington.  
Thompson & Bishop house and sign painters, 128 E. Market.  
Thompson, Ed. F., 209 Sharpless.  
Thompson, Geo. H., painter, 313 S. Darlington.  
Thompson, Jos., 47 S. High.  
Thompson, Josephine E., 47 S. High.  
Thompson, Martha B., 47 S. High.  
Thompson, Margaret A., teacher, 313 S. Darlington.  
Thompson, Martin, far., 114 W. Chestnut.  
Thompson, Morris, mach., 206 N. Adams.  
Thompson, Samuel J., painter, 116 E. Union.  
Thompson, W. Everett, carp., 421 S. Matlack.  
Thompson, Wm. G., painter, 313 S. Darlington.  
Thompson, Wm. M., painter, 313 S. Darlington.  
Thomson, A. M., 29 Price.  
Thomson, Elizabeth W., 222 S. Ch'h.  
Thomson, Lena L., stocking factory, 306 N. Darlington.  
Thomson, Lydia M., 29 Price.  
Thomson, Mrs. Rebecca, nurse, 306 N. Darlington.  
Thomson, Rae P., 222 S. Church.  
Thomson, Sallie B., stocking factory, 306 N. Darlington.  
THOMPSON, W. W., EDITOR LOCAL NEWS, 222 S. Church.  
Thomson, Wm. H., clerk, 222 S. Church.  
Thorn, Anna M., 301 Dean.  
Thorn, Benj. V., 301 Dean.  
Thorn, Mrs. Henry, 301 Dean.  
Thorn, Jos. H., foreman, 425 S. Ch'h.  
Thorn, Bertha E., 21 S. High.  
THORP, JOHN, UNDERTAKER, 21 S. High.  
Thorp, Dr. W. K., dentist, 34 S. High.  
Tight, Mrs. Mary, 355 E. Biddle.  
Tight, Michael, mach., 375 E. Biddle.  
Tight, Wm., mach., 355 E. Biddle.  
Todd, Margaret, 322 S. Walnut.  
Todd, Mrs. Martha, 322 S. Walnut.  
Tomlinson, Harry E., mach., 709 S. Matlack.



- Tohiman, Bertha, dom., 303 W. Miner.  
 Tompkins, Elizabeth M., 257 W. Barnard.  
 Tompkins, Jacob J., 237 W. Barnard.  
 Tompkins, Wm. H., bar clerk, 253 Dean.  
 Townes, Henry A., 31 N. New  
 Townsend, Ada J., librarian, 302 Dean.  
 Townsend, Bertha D., 424 N. Mat'k  
 Townsend, Bertha, 311 N. High.  
 Townsend, Chas. M., 117 S. Walnut.  
 Townsend, Sidney E., 391 W. Biddle.  
 Townsend, Cora M., 29 S. High.  
 Townsend, D. E., agent, 121 Magnolia.  
 Townsend, Rev. Edward, 9 N. Mat'k  
 Townsend, Geo. F., plas., 391 W. Biddle.  
 Townsend, Harriet E., 424 N. Mat'k  
 Townsend, Mrs. Lydia, 116 W. Barn'd  
 Townsend, Margaret G., 424 N. Matlack.  
 Townsend, Oliver, 142 E. Miner.  
 Townsend, Oliver, Jr., plas., 142 E. Miner.  
 Townsend, Thos. J., shoe maker, 302 Dean.  
 Townsend, Wesley O., plas., 233 W. Washington.  
 Townsend, Wm. P., 429 N. Church.  
 Toy na, Lewis, tailor, 58 S. High.  
 Towns, Sarah, dom., 310 N. High.  
 Trappe, Harriet J., 1st house, Dr. Price's farm, W. of S. New.  
 Travers, Jos. E., printer, 423 N. New.  
 Travers, Katie M., clerk, 123 N. New.  
 Travers, Thos. G., reporter, 423 N. New.  
 Travilla, Elizabeth N., 419 N. Wal't  
 Travilla, Florence, 308 W. Miner.  
 Travilla, Jona., 419 N. Walnut.  
 Tr. v. l. t. M. u. c. R., dry goods, Gay and Church, h., 308 W. Miner.  
 Travilla, Mary, 102 W. Gay.  
 Travilla, Mary, 419 N. Walnut.  
 Travilla, Thos. C., carpets, oil cloths, etc., 119 W. Gay; h., 303 W. Miner.  
 Treston, Jas., lab., 405 W. Market.  
 Treston, Katie A., dom., 111 S. Ch'h.  
 Treston, Mary, clerk, 405 W. Ma k t  
 Treston, Thos., plumber, 405 W. Market.  
 Travers, Thos., lab., 423 N. New.  
 Trimble, Ann, 129 S. Darlington.  
 Trimble, Frank, milkman, 239 S. Matlack.  
 Trimble, Mary, 129 S. Darlington.  
 Trimble, Rachel, dress maker, 129 S. Darlington.  
 Trout, Herbert W., ice wagon hand, 144 W. Barnard.  
 Troutman, C. G., Coroner, barber, 210 S. High.  
 Troutman, J. L., barber, 210 S. High.  
 Troutman, Nettie M., 210 S. High.  
 Troutman, Norman C., stu., 210 S. High.  
 Truman, Thos. E., blacksmith, 711 S. Matlack.  
 Tucker, Ella W., 117 S. Walnut.  
 Tucker, J. Clifton, blacksmith, 117 S. Walnut.  
 Tucker, Lydia M., Barclay Home.  
 Tucker, John L., butcher, 117 S. Wal't  
**TURK'S HEAD HOTEL, APPLE BROS.**, High and Market.  
 Turner, Edwin S., printer, Daily Local News, 220 W. Union.  
 Turner, Frank, painter, 220 W. Union.  
 Turner, Theo. F., Constable, 220 W. Union.  
 Turner, Wm. H., 228 W. Barnard  
 Tyler, Nelson B., coachman, 319 Hannum Ave.  
 Tyndale, Chas., lab., 19 E. Chestnut.  
 Tyndale, Mrs. Mary G., 300 E. Gay.  
**U**BELE, Adam, baker, 104 W. Market.  
 Underwood, Capt. Wm. S., Borough Treasurer and Tax Receiver, 201 W. Miner.  
 Umsted, Eliza, 290 N. Church.  
 Underwood, E. Adelaide, 201 W. Miner.  
 Underwood, Eliza H., 140 E. Miner.  
 Underwood, Etta R., 201 W. Miner.  
 Underwood, Jennie E., 140 E. Miner.  
 Underwood, Leighton D., 201 W. Miner.  
 Underwood, Phebe S., 134 E. Miner.  
 Underwood, Sarah D., 201 W. Miner.  
 Underwood, Wm. B., 140 E. Miner.  
 Urmev, Bertha M., operator, 133 E. Barnard.  
 Urmev, Geo. D., 133 E. Barnard.  
 Urmev, Jennie W., 133 E. Barnard.  
 Urmev, Mrs. Henrietta, 133 E. Barn'd  
 Urmev, Robt. G., book keeper, 10 S. Church.  
 Ussher, Rev. S. N., 111 S. Church.  
**V**ALENTINE, A. L., Tattersall, N. Walnut; h., 140 E. Gay.  
 Valentine, Amanda, 140 E. Gay.  
 Valentine, C. Irene, 513 S. Walnut.  
 Valentine, Marshall J., jeweler, 119 W. Fayette.  
 Vance, Chas. M., mech., 303 S. New.  
 Vance, Eleanor P., 229 W. Barnard.  
 Vance, Herbert T., reporter, 303 S. New.  
 Vance, Mrs. Maggie M., 220 W. Barn'd  
 Vanskite, Kate, dom., 29 Dean.  
 Van Etten, Geo., mason, 21 E. Chest't  
 Van Horn Mrs. Jenn e, 21 W. Pa n'd Walnut.  
 Van Leer, Eliza, restaurant, 229 E. Market.  
 Van Leer, Fred, coachman, 221 N. Darlington.  
 Vanleer, Fred, coachman, 13 W. Gay.  
 Van Leer, Wm., lab., 229 E. Market.  
 Vannest, Jacob, lab., 431 S. Adams.  
 Vandever, Anna, 129 S. Matlack.  
**VANDEVER, BENJ., GREEN TREE HOTEL,** Gay and High. (See Adv.)  
 Vandever, Curtis, carp., 225 W. Barn'd  
 Vandever, Hoopes M., mill hand, 104 Price.  
 Vandever, Mary G., 104 Price.  
 Vandever, Mary, 129 S. Matlack.  
 Vandever, Sarah S., 104 Price.  
 Van Osten, Fannie G., dress maker, 115 S. New.  
 Van Osten, Lewis E., stock clerk, 539 S. Matlack.  
 Van Osten, Wm. E., 115 S. New.  
 Van Osten, Wm. E., butcher, 27 S. Vaughan, Mary E., 31 Dean.  
 Varnum, Fred F., carp., 608 S. Ch'h.  
 Varnum, Jas. H., stenographer, 104 W. Market.  
 Veit, Geo., butcher, 320 W. Gay.  
 Vernon, Mrs. Emma L., 311 N. Darlington.  
 Vernon, Wm., brick layer, 211 W. Market.  
 Vernon, Wm., spoke mill hand, 212 W. Union.  
 Village Record, The, weekly paper, T. L. Eyre, Prop., 15 N. Church.  
 Voltz, Jacob, shoe maker, 627 S. New.  
**W**ADDELL, Robt. S., att'y, 111 N. High; h., 310 N. High.  
 Waddell, Ruth P., 310 N. High.  
 Waddell, Mrs. W. B., 310 N. High.  
 Wagner, Eugene, plumber, 235 E. Chestnut.  
 Wagner, Louis, news stand, 249 E. Market.  
 Walker, Chas. P., carpenter and builder, 339 W. Union.  
 Walker, Elizabeth, dom., 105 W. Miner.  
 Walker, Mrs. Harriet, 145 E. Gay.  
 Walker, J. W., baggage master, 129 Magnolia.  
 Walker, Mrs. Rutnanna, Friends' Boarding Home.  
 Wallace, Anna Mary, 132 W. Union.  
 Wallace, Prof. C. W., organist, 25 S. Walnut.  
 Wallace, Chas. W., clerk, 224 N. Church; h., 208 W. Chestnut.  
 Wallace, Jas. T., j nitor, 130 W. Union.  
 Wallace, Martha J., 132 W. Union.  
 Wallace, Mary E., 132 W. Union.  
 Wallace, Sallie E., Union, cor R. R.  
 Wallace, Wm. J., 132 W. Union.  
 Wallace, Wm. G., salesman, 208 W. Chestnut.  
 Walls, Geo. A., lab., 346 Hannum Av.  
 Walls, Lizzie P., 113 W. Market.  
 Walls, Mrs. S. P., Aldine House, 113 W. Market.  
 Walsh, Mary, dom., 125 E. Wash't n.  
 Walsh, J. S. J., clerk, 120 W. Chest't  
 Walter, Anna B., 320 N. High.  
 Walter, Caleb M., 40 W. Barnard.  
 Walter, E. Sharp., 317 S. High.  
 Walter, Frank T., Separator Works, 40 W. Barnard.  
 Walter, Frances H., 320 N. High.  
 Walter, Frank, sprinkler, 315 N. Darlington.  
 Walter, Harry S., plumber, 40 W. Barnard.  
 Walter, Julia, 123 S. Church.  
 Walter, Margaret, 320 N. High.  
 Walter, Mary L., 231 W. Ch snut.  
 Walter, Phebe J., 231 W. Ch snut.  
 Walter, Robert H., 339 W. Miner.  
 Walter, Samuel M., 320 N. High.  
 Walter, Sara Brinton, 320 N. High.  
 Walter, Townsend, 547 S. Matlack  
 Walters, Carrie, clerk, 207 W. Gay  
 Walter, Harry C., livery, rear of 22 W. Market; h., 317 S. High.  
 Walters, Jos., carriage trimmer, 21 S. Walnut.  
 Walton, Ellsworth J., fireman, 216 E. Gay.  
 Walton, Jos. W., 605 S. Matlack.  
 Walton, John F., plas., 212 Sharpless.  
 Walton, Matt. E., plas., 212 Sharpless.  
 Walton, Theo. P., plas., 203 Sharpless.  
 Walton, W. S., carp., 411 W. Union.  
 Wanger, Abraham, att'y., 133 N. High; h., 226 S. Walnut.  
 Wanser, Emma, stu., 226 S. Walnut.  
 Ward, Annie, dom., 409 S. High.  
 Warfel, Amelia, 308 E. Miner.  
 Warner, I. Chapman, carp., 6 N. Walnut.  
 Warner, Jane S., 110 E. Fayette.  
 Warnick, Bowen M., lab., 108 N. Wayne.  
 Warnick, Isalah F., lab., 12 N. New.  
 Warnick, Jas., helper, 121 S. Fr'kin  
 Warren, Dr. H. B., real estate, 236 W. Market.  
 Warren, Dr. J. L., 236 W. Market  
 Warren, John S., painter, 14 S. New.  
 Warren, John, lab., 237 W. Chestnut.  
 Warren, Wm. L., lab., 219 W. Washington.  
 Warrington, Anna M., 326 N. Wal't  
 Warrington, Caroline R., 326 N. Walnut.  
 Warrington, Francis, 549 N. Walnut.  
 Washington, Clifford, lab., 117 S. Matlack.  
 Washington, Elizabeth T., 117 S. Matlack.  
 Washington, Lafayette, 117 W. Union.  
 Washington, Lewis B., lab., 117 S. Matlack.  
 Washington, Reuben, 97 S. Matlack  
 Washington, Stephen, lab., 238 Magnolia.  
 Washington, Wm. H., barber, 117 S. Matlack.  
 Washington, Walter M., lab., 117 S. Matlack.  
 Waters, A. Brown, grocer, 146 E. Miner.  
 Watkins, Carrie V., 336 E. Miner.  
 Watkins, Rev. Geo. T., 336 E. Miner.  
 Watson, Edward, 28 S. High.  
 Watson, Fannie C., teacher, 31 Dean.  
 Watson, Henry, contractor, 127 S. Matlack.  
 Watson, Jas., insurance agent, 340 W. Fayette.  
 Watson, Milton A., cabinet maker, 6 N. Walnut.  
 Way, Annie L., 131 E. Gay.  
 Way, Channing, Notary Public, 116 W. Miner.  
 Way, Ella B., 131 E. Gay  
 Way, Geo., Sr., painter, 131 E. Gay.  
 Way, Geo., Jr., painter, 120 N. Darlington.  
 Way, Lydia A., 133 Dean.  
 Way, Willa M., teacher, 126 E. Chestnut.  
 Way, Mary B., 131 E. Gay.

- Way, M. S., real estate and insurance, 24 W. Market; h., 116 W. Miner.
- Way, M. Warren, att'y., 116 W. Miner.
- Way, Wm. W., bartender, 545 S. Matlack.
- Webb, Arthur R., 327 S. High.
- Webb, Anna, 30 S. Church.
- Webb, Anna H., 117 E. Market.
- Webb, Hannah, 30 S. Church.
- Webb, Horace T., 327 S. High.
- Webb, Jas., lab., 227 Evans.
- Webb, Jesse E., jeweler, 16 W. Gay; h., 37 S. High.
- Webb, Jessie S., 327 S. High.
- Webb, Mrs. T. D., 507 N. High.
- Webster, Geo. C., far., 623 S. New.
- Webster, Katharine S., 132 E. Washington.
- Weiderhold, Emma, nurse, Chester Co. Hospital.
- Weil, Moses, iron monger, 8 N. New.
- Weil, Norris, iron monger, 8 N. New.
- Weil, Alma, iron monger, 8 N. New.
- Welch, Mrs. M. B., confectionery, 204 E. Market; h., 9 N. Matlack.
- Welch, Reese E., clerk, 128 E. Beech.
- Welch, Wm. L., carp., 9 N. Matlack.
- Wells, Ephraim, 402 W. Union.
- Wells, Mrs. Jennie J., 149 E. Miner.
- Wells, Wm. C., railroad, 525 S. Walnut.
- Welsh, Martin, carp., 397 W. Chestnut.
- Welsh, Patrick, lab., 397 W. Chestnut.
- Wentworth, home for ladies, 319 S. Church.
- Wesley, Bessie, stu., 8 Bolmar.
- Wesley, Edward, 8 Bolmar.
- Wesley, John, contractor, 110 Bolmar.
- Wesley, Hannah, 401 E. Barnard.
- Wesley, Thos., lab., 428 E. Gay.
- Wesley, Thos., wheel works hand, 8 Bolmar.
- Wesley, Thos., 401 E. Barnard.
- West, Mrs. Anna, 124 N. New.
- West, Arthur, creamery supplies, 117 E. Washington.
- West, Albert, lab., 227 E. Market.
- West Chester Business School, Jennie B. Martin, 115 N. High.
- West, Elmira, 301 S. Adams.
- Wetsel, Frank, baggage master, 128 S. High.
- Wheaton, Frank B., turner, 237 S. Matlack.
- Wheeler, Mrs. E. A., 343 W. Miner.
- Whipper, Howard E., wheel works hand, 101 S. Worthington.
- Whipper, Geo., lab., 525 Flannan Av.
- Whisler, Hannah G., 110 E. Eddie.
- Whisler, Howard, carp., 27 E. Miner.
- Whisler, Mary F., 6 N. Walnut.
- Whisler, Jennie H., clerk, 214 W. Barnard.
- Whisler, Katie G., 214 W. Barnard.
- Whisler, Sidney B., 214 W. Barnard.
- Whisler, Thos., plas., 27 E. Miner.
- Whitcraft, Pauline V., 423 S. Chu. ch.
- Whitcraft, Alger C., 423 S. Church.
- Whitcraft, Jas. H., 423 S. Church.
- White, Chas., cutter, 122 S. Church.
- White, Mrs. Catherine, 416 N. Darlington.
- White, Daisy, dom., 317 W. Miner.
- White, Mrs. E. W., 321 S. High.
- White, E., barber, 8 N. Church; h., 128 W. Market.
- White, Lavinia A., dress maker, 31 E. Barnard.
- White, Louisa, 138 W. Market.
- White, Martha J., 31 E. Barnard.
- White, Mary E., 416 N. Darlington.
- White, Sara T., stu., 31 E. Barnard.
- White, Wm. D., sp. ke mill hand, 210 W. Barnard.
- Whitehead, John, driver, 130 E. Gay.
- Whitely, John, lab., 139 E. Miner.
- Whiting, Wm. Arthur, 38 W. Miner.
- Whitman, Mrs. Emma, 128 Nields.
- Whitson, Russell, 511 W. Miner.
- Whyte, Mary T., Marshall, bet. Church and High.
- Whyte, Mrs. W. H., Marshall, bet. Church and High.
- Wickersham, Hannah M., 16 S. New.
- Wickersham, Mrs. Elizabeth M., 511 S. High.
- Widdicombe, E. F., 243 Dean.
- Widdicombe, Grace A., 243 Dean.
- Wilkinson, Chas., packer, 210 W. Barnard.
- Williams, A. G., undertaker, 109 N. Church.
- Williams, Mrs. A. G., cleaning, scouring and dyeing, 109 N. Ch h.
- Williams, Mrs. Abbie M., 527 S. Walnut.
- Williams, Anna G., 230 S. Walnut.
- Williams, Anna, 34 E. Miner.
- Williams, Alex., wheel works hand, 422 E. Miner.
- Williams, Bessie C., 130 W. Market.
- Williams, B. Frank, coachman, 23 S. Church.
- Williams, Cyrus, bar., 304 E. Miner.
- Williams, Chas. H., mach., 130 W. Biddle.
- Williams, Elias F., far., 623 S. New.
- Williams, Frank, coachman, 40 E. Market.
- Williams, Isabella, dom., 401 E. Barn'd.
- Williams, Lydia G., 36 E. Miner.
- Williams, Mrs. J., 331 S. Adams.
- Williams, Mrs. Ruth, 317 S. Adams.
- Williams, Mary C., 132 E. Wash'ton.
- Williams, M. Amelia, 130 W. Market.
- Williams, Margaret, Friends' Boarding Home.
- Williams, Martha G., 230 S. Walnut.
- Williams, W. C., furniture and upholstery, 128 W. Market; h., 130 W. Market.
- Williams, Mrs. Rebecca, 431 N. New.
- Williams, T. Clifford, Mansion House stables, 7 S. Church; h., 527 S. Walnut.
- Williamson, Mrs. Amy C., Friends' Boarding Home.
- Williamson, Elizabeth G., 103 S. High.
- Willauer, Arthur E., architect, 313 N. High.
- Willauer, Ivo E., 313 N. High.
- Willauer, Josephine H., 313 N. High.
- Willauer, Major S. G., 313 N. High.
- Willis, Chas., brick layer, 240 E. Gay.
- Wills, Rev. Joshua E., 411 N. Walnut.
- Wills, Ellen, 100 S. High.
- Wills, Sarah W., 100 S. High.
- Wilson, Anthony Y., 30 W. Gay.
- Wilson, Annie, dom., 201 W. Miner.
- Wilson, Benj., hod carrier, 455 S. Adams.
- Wilson, Clinton, lab., 30 N. New.
- Wilson, Elizabeth, 115 Poplar.
- Wilson, Fred., nurse, 531 N. Darl'ton.
- Wilson, Glancy G., real estate, 129 N. High; h., 421 S. Church.
- Wilson, Henrietta, 101 W. Gay.
- Wilson, Jas., hostler, 426 E. Miner.
- Wilson, Jennie E., dom., Virginia Av.
- Wilson, Lena, 531 N. Darlington.
- Wilson, Mrs. Margaret A., 408 N. Darlington.
- Wilson, Sara, 216 S. Church.
- Wilson, Wm, lab., 36 Price.
- Winder, John, wheel maker, 398 Nields.
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- Windle, Francis, att'y., 3 S. High; h., 20 W. Gay.
- Windle, Lizzie, 326 W. Union.
- Windle, Letitia Butler, stu., 20 E. Washington.
- Windle, Wm. Butler, stu., 20 E. Washington.
- Windle, Wm. S., att'y., 1 W. Market; h., 20 E. Washington.
- Winterbottom, Elberta K., 7 N. Walnut.
- Winterbottom, John C., printer, 7 N. Walnut.
- Winterbottom, Mrs. Sarah A., 7 N. Walnut.
- Wis, S. O., conductor, 543 S. Mat'k.
- Wise, Mrs. Anna E., 513 S. Matlack.
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- Wonderland, Chas., mach., 204 N. Adams.
- Wood, Franklin J., teacher, 311 S. Adams.
- Wood, Fred, helper, 104 W. Market.
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- Wood, Susan J., 503 N. High.
- Wood, Wilmer, clerk, 126 S. High.
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- Woodward, W. Wellington, 23 S. Church.
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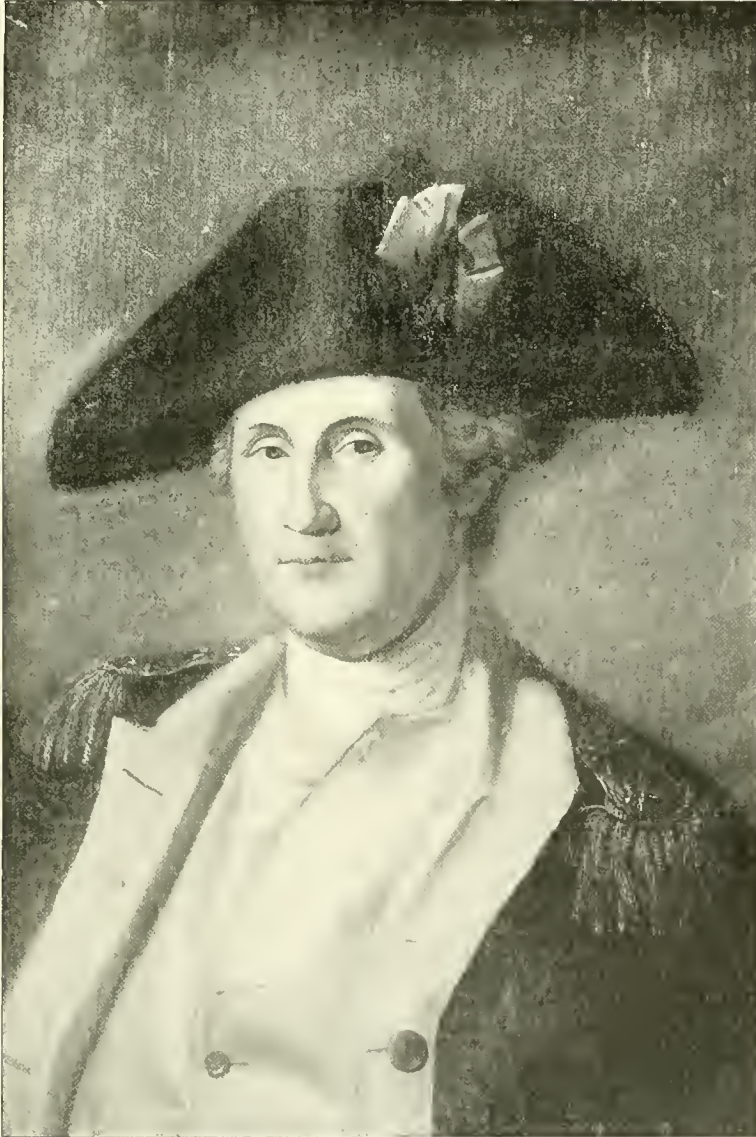
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| Due from Banks .....   | 21,213 11      |
| Cash and reserve ..... | 408,790 26     |
|                        | <hr/>          |
|                        | \$1,553,334 75 |

**LIABILITIES.**

|                                    |                |
|------------------------------------|----------------|
| Capital .....                      | \$ 225,000 00  |
| Surplus and undivided profits..... | 112,364 49     |
| Dividends unpaid .....             | 549 00         |
| Deposits .....                     | 1,015,271 26   |
| Circulation .....                  | 200,150 00     |
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|                           |              |
|---------------------------|--------------|
| Loans and Discounts ..... | \$239,010 38 |
| Bonds and stocks .....    | 15,880 00    |
| Bank Building .....       | 50,000 00    |
| Cash in vault .....       | 39,103 78    |
| Cash in banks .....       | 36,401 36    |

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|                                     |              |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|
| Capital stock paid in .....         | \$100,000 00 |
| Surplus and undivided profits ..... | 19,201 21    |
| Circulation .....                   | 22,500 00    |
| Deposits .....                      | 238,694 31   |

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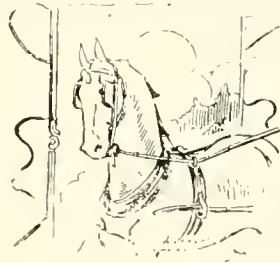
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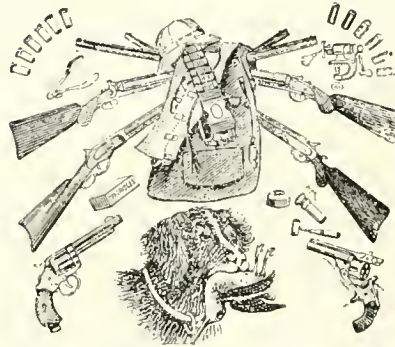
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# West Chester's Centennial Celebration



**T**O complete, in a measure, the foregoing history of West Chester, this appendix has been added, giving a carefully prepared account of the celebration by which the one hundredth anniversary of the borough was commemorated.

The Centennial Celebration was a success. It surprised the residents of the town, the visitors, and, most of all, the members of the committees, those who had laid plans and performed the work.

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 11th, 12th and 13th, 1899, were three ideal days of Indian Summer, the mellow sunshine and balmy air seeming as though they might have been provided expressly for the occasion.

A Court of Honor, with a large, white, decorated arch at either end, occupied the square on High Street, opposite the Court House, where the dense foliage of the maples at the sides above the curbs, and the blue sky overhead, proved a bower of beauty by day. After sundown, thirteen hundred incandescent lamps of varied colors made it a dream of brilliancy by night.

Over the pavement at the northern side of the Court House lawn was a handsome reviewing stand for the use of prominent citizens and distinguished guests during the parades of Thursday and Friday.

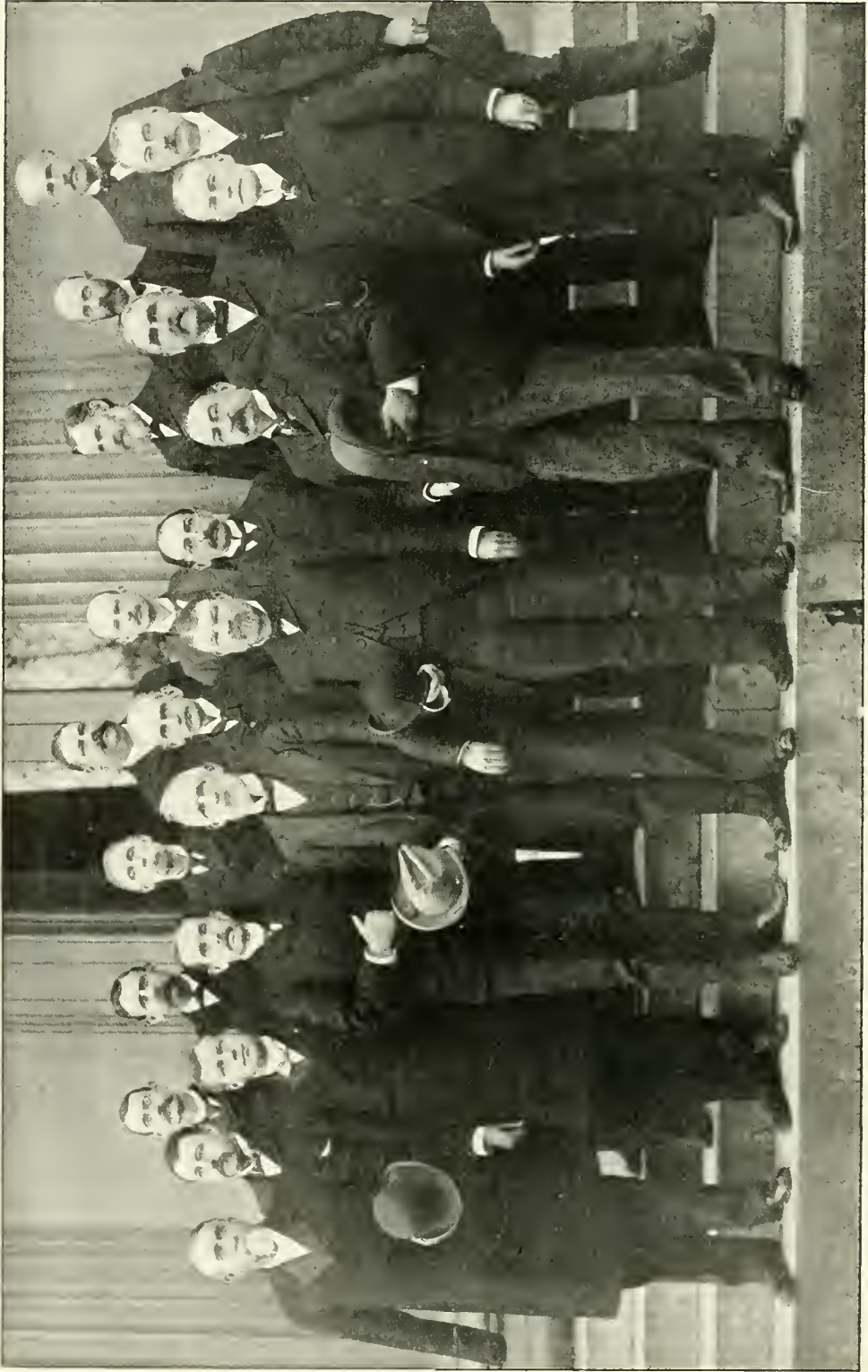
On North Church Street, opposite the home of the First West Chester Fire Company, stood a third arch, elaborate in design and artistically decorated.

The whole town, from the Temple of Justice, standing as the central figure in the spectacle, to the homes of the poorest residents in the suburbs of the borough, was draped with bunting and adorned with flags, portraits, lanterns and other ornaments.

Every evening the whole neighborhood was illuminated by the slanting rays from a gigantic search-light on the tower of the Court House, whence the beams could be seen for a distance of twenty miles and more. The hills of Valley Forge were tipped with brightness when the beams were turned northeast, and at the same time a glow was cast over the parade ground at Paoli Field, where the massacre occurred in 1777. In the opposite direction, Chadds' Ford and Birmingham, noted scenes of Revolutionary action, were brightened when the operator on the tower turned his attention towards them.

During the three days, the visitors in town numbered far into the thousands. All the hotels and boarding houses were crowded, and private residences were opened freely for the entertainment of friends from a distance.

All the guests were dined or lunched, according to their desire. Those who had been favored with invitations from the committee in charge of this department were provided for in Council Chambers and were given the freedom of the Law Library. Marching men were handed lunch just before the parades began.



Jas. E. Pyle, P. E. Jefferts, Wm. A. McMichael, R. O. Jefferts, E. L. McKinstry, Gilbert Cope, Frank P. Darlington, Fred Heed,  
Prof. Addison L. Jones, H. Rush Kervey, Jos. T. Murtagh, L. C. Moses, W. W. Thomson,  
Maj. L. G. McCauley, Dr. Geo. M. Phillips, C. Wesley Talbot, Capt R. T. Cornwell, M. S. Way, Thos. W. Taylor, I. Cary Carver.



1799-1899

The Borough of West Chester, Pa.  
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as the

Centennial Celebration

of its incorporation to be held

October 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> 1899



G. Wesley Fuller

Chairman Anniversary Committee

Geo. Morris Phillips

Chairman Invitations & Reception Committee

Committee on Invitations

Samuel Marshall

Herbert P. Worth

W. Bush Kerrey, Secretary

Please send reply to the Secretary

# Replies to Invitations



## President McKinley and other Prominent Men Wrote Appreciative Letters



In response to the engraved invitations issued by the committee in charge of this department of work, there were many replies which showed the appreciation of those to whom the cards were sent.

In addition to sending a card to Hon. William McKinley, President of the United States, a sub-committee journeyed to Washington, D. C., where the President kindly received the members in his office at the Executive Mansion, and promised to come to West Chester if his official duties would permit. The delegation consisted of Burgess C. Wesley Talbot, Dr. G. M. Philips, William M. Hayes, Esq., Lewis C. Moses, H. Rush Kervey, Samuel Marshall and Frank P. Darlington.

The following day the President sent this letter to Burgess Talbot:

" EXECUTIVE MANSION,

" WASHINGTON, September 21, 1899.

" MR. C. WESLEY TALBOT,

" *Chairman, Anniversary Committee,*

" West Chester, Pa.

" MY DEAR SIR—I have received the invitation extended to me to be present at the Centennial Celebration of the incorporation of the Borough of West Chester, to be held the 11th, 12th and 13th of October, and regret that engagements already made will preclude me from giving myself the pleasure of sending an acceptance.

" Thanking you and your associates of the several committees for your courtesy, and with my best wishes for the complete success of the celebration, I am,

" Sincerely yours,

" WILLIAM M. KINLEY."

Secretary of State John Hay, wrote in part: " While thanking you for the courtesy, have to express my sincere regret that my absence in the West will prevent my taking advantage of it."

Secretary of Navy John D. Long replied: " It is with much regret that I have to decline the very kind invitation of the Borough of West Chester to attend the Centennial Celebration of its incorporation, but I have arranged to accompany the President on his trip to Chicago. It may be possible, however, if the President returns from Chicago in time, for me to stop over a few hours at the celebration. It would give me great pleasure to attend, especially in view of the early settlement of the town, and its distinguished history."

In addition to sending formal regrets, Rear Admiral and Engineer-in-Chief George W. Melville wished " the Borough of West Chester a most distinguished gathering to do honor to so memorable an event in its history."

Admiral W. S. Schley responded: " My preliminary orders to sea early in October compel me to forego the pleasure of being present at the Centennial Celebration of the Borough of West Chester. I am much honored by your kind invitation, and I thank you sincerely for this courtesy."

H. Clay Evans, Commissioner of Pensions, telegraphed from San Francisco, Cal.: " Regret I cannot get back in time to be with you at Centennial. Best wishes and success."

Charmagne Tower, Ambassador to Russia, wrote from St. Petersburg: " I beg you to convey to the Chairman and the Committee of the Centennial Celebration of the Borough of West Chester, my regrets that I shall not be able to be present on the 11th, 12th and 13th inst., and also my grateful appreciation of their kindness in sending me an invitation."

Hundreds of other replies were received, all of them polite and kind. Some of the more distinguished of the writers were: Secretary of War Elihu Root; Governor Bushnell, of Ohio; George M. Sternberg, Surgeon General, U. S. A.; Governor Lowndes, Maryland; Rear Admiral Silas Casey, U. S. N.; David J. Hill, Assistant Secretary of State; Governor Tunnell, of Delaware, and General Nelson Miles, U. S. A.

Judge Charles Swayne, of the United States District Court of Northern Florida, wrote: " I very much regret that I cannot be present at your Centennial Celebration. My duties in the South commence October 9th."

Rear Admiral W. T. Sampson sent " regrets that the duties incident to transferring the command of the North Atlantic Squadron to his successor will prevent him from accepting."

Ex-Governor Robert E. Pattison sent this word: " I greatly appreciate the very kind invitation of the Borough of West Chester for the Centennial Celebration, October 11th, 12th and 13th. I hope to be present and participate in this interesting event, at least, upon one of the days."

William Hemphill Bell, Brigadier General U. S. A. (retired), wrote from Arvada, Colorado: " I am in receipt of the most kind invitation of the Borough of West Chester, my native town, to the Centennial Celebration of its incorporation, and would desire to say in response, that were it possible, nothing would give me more pleasure, more delight, than to be present, but increasing years and the great distance between myself and the dear old place, would seem to make it among the impossibilities. All the years of my enforced absence from the home of my childhood have not weakened the feelings that I have always held for the borough which is full of the memories of my infancy and boyhood, and of the early friends and relatives with whom I lived until I was thrown into the great world outside, to work out the right of my being there, and shall never forget the last words of my dear father, when he said, as I left the front door of my home, ' Another bird from the nest.' Please accept my assurance that my spirit will surely be with you all in the days of the celebration, and that in many of my later days my mind goes back to the old streets and old surroundings of the one-hundred-year-old Borough of West Chester, my own, my native town."

Henry Stolterfoth, M.D., Mayor of Chester, England, wrote from the town hall of that city: " I feel highly complimented by your invitation to attend your Centennial Celebration, and as Mayor of the ancient City of Chester, I must congratulate the younger Chester on having completed a hundred years, and may it have many more years and occupy a place in the history of the great American continent. I am sorry not to be able to attend, but time and distance prevent my being present."

United States Senator Boies Penrose: " I shall take pleasure in attending if my engagements will permit. Appreciating the courtesy expressed in the invitation, I am yours very truly."

Hon. William Wayne, Paoli: " I thank the Committee for the invitation to attend the West Chester Centennial exercises, on the 11th, 12th and 13th proximo, and will be pleased to do so if my health will permit."

Marie Taylor, New York, sister of the late Bayard Taylor: " It is with great regret that I am forced to decline the honor of being present, on your Committee's kind invitation, at West Chester's Centennial Celebration. It would have given me a great pleasure, indeed, were I able to accept; but the condition of my health makes it imperative for me to abstain from leaving home."

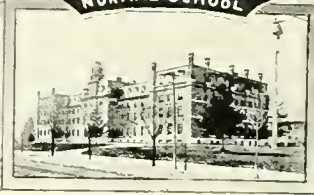


**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8<sup>TH</sup>. MORNING**

Services in all churches at the usual hours, with sermons appropriate to the occasion.

# LITERARY PROGRAM

NORMAL SCHOOL



Wednesday, October 11th, 1899

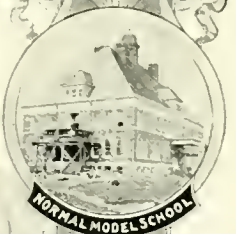
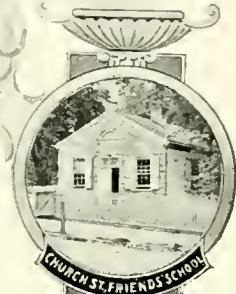
MORNING, 8 TO 9 O'CLOCK, PATRIOTIC AIRS  
ON THE CHIMES OF  
PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
10 O'CLOCK RINGING OF FIRE BELLS AND  
BLOWING OF STEAM WHISTLES


Assembly Building, 2 P.M.

- Invocation . . . . . *Rev. Joseph S. Evans*
- Welcome Song . . . . . *J. O. K. Roberts*  
Chorus by School Children
- Address of Welcome, *C. Wesley Talbot, Esq.*  
Chief Burgess
- Responsive Song . . . . . *J. O. K. Roberts*  
Chorus by School Children
- Centennial Ode . . . . . *Prof. John Russell Hayes*
- Historical Paper . . . . . *Gilbert Cope*  
West Chester
- Centennial Hymn  
Words by *Prof. John Russell Hayes*  
Music by *J. Max Muller, Mus. Doc.*
- Oration . . . . . *Charlton T. Lewis, Ph.D.*  
New York
- Patriotic Songs
- Benediction . . . . . *Rev. S. B. Spalding*

MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT  
IN THE EVENING

VILLA MARIA





## Military Program

THURSDAY, OCT. 12TH, 1899, 1.30 P. M.

*Chief Marshal*

LEWIS C. MOSES AND AIDS

FIRST DIVISION

*Marshal, MAJOR L. G. McCAULEY AND STAFF*

INFANTRY—Co. H., Media, Pa.; Co. B, Chester, Pa.; Co. C, Chester, Pa.; Co. D, Phoenixville, Pa.; Co. I, West Chester, Pa.  
ARTILLERY—Battery C, Phoenixville, Pa.; Battery D, Phila., Pa.  
McCall Post, No. 31, C. A. R.

Gov. WILLIAM A. STONE, of Pennsylvania, and Staff  
Chief Burgess, Hon. C. WESLEY TALBOT, and Borough Council  
in Carriages

SECOND DIVISION--CIVIC

*Marshal, HARRY G. SMITH AND AIDS*

Third Regiment Drum Corps: West Chester Pioneer  
Corps, No. 1

HISTORICAL FLOATS

Wm. Penn Treating with the Indians: Columbus  
and Continental Period: Fraternity and Equality:  
Period of 1861: The Arts and Sciences

MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT  
IN EVENING

BIRMINGHAM MEETING HOUSE

DRY MONUMENT

# CIVIC PROGRAM

Thursday, October 12th, 1899

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS  
 THOMAS T. SMITH, *Marshal*, AND AIDS

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS  
 COL. CHAS. F. LINDE, *Commanding*

CATHOLIC TOTAL ABSTINENCE SOCIETY  
 JAS. D. REILEY, *Marshal*, AND AIDS

KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE

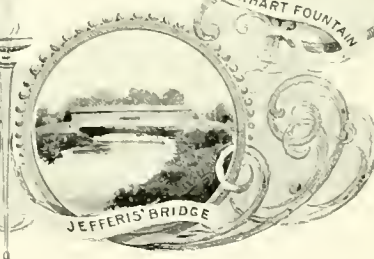
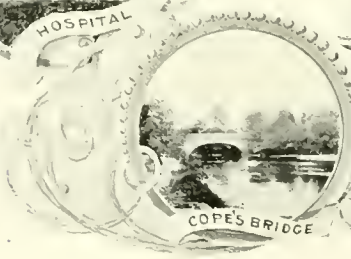
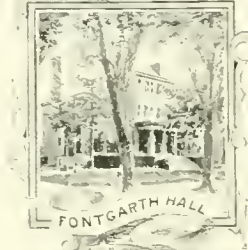
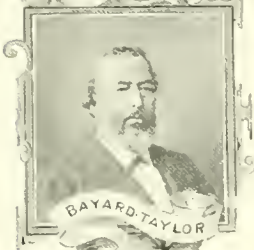
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 MECHANICS  
 J. MORTON KEE, *H. Marshal*, AND AIDS

PATRIOTIC ORDER SONS OF AMERICA

KNIGHTS OF MALTA

TRADES AND INDUSTRIAL DISPLAY  
 JOSEPH JAMES, *Marshal*, AND AIDS  
 30 FLOATS

MUSIC AND ENTERTAINMENT IN EVENING





## Firemen's Day

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH, 1899  
Parade moves 1.30 P.M.

PLUMMER E. JEFFERIS, *Chief of Fire Department*  
Chief Marshal, COL. A. McC. HOLDING

FIRST DIVISION—The First West Chester Fire Co., The Brandywine Fire Company of Coatesville, Volunteer Fire Association of Philadelphia, Phoenixville Hook and Ladder Co., Relief of Mt. Holly, Alert Fire Co. of Downingtown, Tivoli Hose Co. of Philadelphia, Morton Fire Co.

SECOND DIVISION—Good Will Fire Co. of West Chester, Phoenix Fire Co. of Wilmington, Delaware, Good Will Fire Co. of Pottstown, Humane Fire Co. of Royersford, Washington Fire Co. of Coatesville, Parkesburg Fire Co., Fire Protection Association of Clifton Heights, Pioneer Fire Co. of Jenkintown.

THIRD DIVISION—Fame Fire Co. of West Chester, Veteran Fire Association of Philadelphia, Mount Airy Fire Co., Liberty Fire Co. of Spring City, Oxford Union Fire Co., Clifton Fire Co., Malvern Fire Co., Water Witch Fire Co. of Wilmington.

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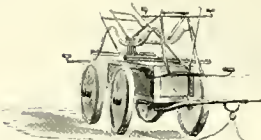
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WEST CHESTER



# A Proclamation



**Official Invitation of the Chief Burgess of West Chester to the People of Chester County to Attend the Centennial Celebration.**



*To the Citizens of Chester County:—*

More than two centuries ago the county of Chester was organized in the Province of Penn. with an areal territory extending from the shores of the Delaware westwardly to the banks of the Allegheny. Numerous sub-divisions have been made of our original territory, resulting in the organization of twenty-five additional counties with a present population of more than two million people. A century ago when our county comprised its present territorial area, the borough of West Chester was duly incorporated as its capital, and has continued as such until the present time. Appreciating the great honor of being the seat of government of a county long distinguished for the virtue, intelligence and uprightness of its citizens, and the honorable part taken by them in all questions of a public and private character for the advancement of mankind and the welfare of their country, and remembering with deep gratitude the manifold blessings vouchsafed unto our fathers and their children by Him Who hath guided and protected them through the storms and shadows of a century, the citizens of the borough of West Chester have resolved to celebrate in a fitting and proper manner, on the 11th, 12th and 13th days of October next, its One Hundredth Anniversary. The occasion should be made one of universal joy and gladness, our patriotism for the land of our birth, our love of home and kindred, our veneration for the memory of our ancestors whose early struggles laid the foundations of the institutions we now enjoy, and our faith and hope in Him, Who hath never forsaken His people, should be intensified within us and inspire us with a greater zeal in discharging the great problems of life with which the coming century confronts us.

The citizens of our borough, desirous of strengthening the ties which have bound together the generations of a century and for the purpose of promoting and fostering still closer relations among our descendents, extend, you, and each of you, a cordial invitation to co-operate and participate with them in the ceremonies of their Celebration, and for a full and complete consummation of these purposes. I pledge you a warm and fraternal greeting.

Handwritten signature of C. Wesley Hallist in cursive script, underlined.

*Chief Burgess of the Borough of West Chester.*

September 15th, 1899.





WEST CHESTER FIRE CO'S ARCH BY NIGHT.

## EXERCISES IN THE CHURCHES.

The Opening Day of the Centennial Programme as Observed by Pastors and Their Flocks.

**A** SHORT time prior to West Chester's Centennial, Burgess Talbot requested that the pastors of the various West Chester churches deliver sermons on Sunday morning, October 8th, 1899, in which the religious history and progress of the town should be reviewed. He further suggested the propriety of a union meeting in the Tattersall, to be held at a suitable hour in the afternoon. The latter suggestion was not thought advisable, but most of the pastors cordially consented to make the theme of their morning discourses suitable to the occasion. The members of the Society of Friends bear their testimony against man appointed themes, as well as times for observance in worship, and, of course, it was not expected that they would make any special reference to the Centennial, although as individual citizens they were interested with the rest.

We give only such parts of discourses as made reference to the Centennial. With this end in view, the following extracts are given:

### ST. AGNES' ROMAN CATHOLIC.

**F**ATHER SPALDING said in substance:  
 During the present week we will celebrate, as you all know, the Centennial anniversary of the founding of this borough. As our honored Chief Burgess and the gentlemen associated with him propose that this celebration shall be conducted on a large scale and with a pomp and

dignity that shall do honor to our historic little town, it is most fitting that we Catholics should co-operate with them in their designs and do all in our power to make this celebration a grand success.

This event, it seems to me, should arouse our enthusiasm and cause our hearts to throb with patriotic pride, for it is the one hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of a borough, whose birth the Catholic Church has witnessed, and whose cradle she rocked in the years of its infancy. When West Chester was only a little hamlet, a mere speck on the map of Chester county, Catholicity was not unknown within its borders. A little scattered congregation, consisting perhaps of less than fifty members, without either church or resident pastor, was centred here. This little band struggled on, shepherdless and penniless, until their cares were relieved by the generous act of the noble-hearted Quaker, John Hannum, who gave them the lot of ground on which our present church now stands. On this lot the little congregation soon erected a chapel, which they called "Christ's Church," and from that time on, like the grain of mustard seed mentioned in the Gospel, this congregation has increased and expanded, so that from a membership of less than one hundred in 1793, it has grown to be in 1899 the largest congregation in the borough.

If we glance back along the line of the past hundred years we shall see that this church has played an important role in the development and advance-

ment of the town. Her members are found in the various avocations of life and have shown themselves to be good, law-abiding citizens and useful members of society. She has established schools for the Christian education of her young and maintained them at great pecuniary sacrifice; she has organized societies of temperance and benevolence, and has ever sought to infuse into and keep alive in all the true principles of honesty, morality and Christian living.

It is with just reason, then, and pride, that I call upon you as Catholics to contribute your mite toward the proper celebration of the approaching festivities. Our Temperance Society, as one of the oldest and most respectable organizations in the borough, has been invited to participate in Thursday's parade. Let every member be in line on that day. Let it not be said of us that we have taken no interest or part in the anniversary of a town, with which our church has grown up and been so closely identified for the past hundred years. On the contrary, let all our efforts be directed towards making this celebration such an event, that it shall stand forth for all time as one of the most notable monuments in our borough's history.

But, whilst we gladly hail the Centennial anniversary of a town, that is known far and near for its culture and refinement; whilst we rejoice that we are citizens of a borough whose years are well nigh commensurate with those of the nation; whilst we boast that we have been nurtured in the lap of a little mother who has never known slavery nor aught but the largest civil and religious freedom,—let us not forget that we have received all these blessings from above, "a gift coming down from the Father of Lights."

Let this celebration, therefore, be a time not only of relaxation and enjoyment, but also of heartfelt thanksgiving. Then we may confidently hope that God will continue to smile benignantly upon this borough and its people and to bestow on us His blessings in "good measure, and pressed down, and shaken together, and running over."

## METHODIST EPISCOPAL.

**R**EV. D. MAST GORDON, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, took as his theme, "Eighty-Nine Years of Methodist History and Influence in the Borough of West Chester." His sermon on Sabbath morning, October 8th, covered about half of that history, and he resumed the subject on the following Sabbath, October 15th, and concluded it.

On the first occasion he selected as his text Ezra 6: 2, "And there was found a roll, and therein was a record thus written." Calling attention to the fact that the record spoken of in the text was of what had been done by and for the house and service of God such as he had to read that morning, he proceeded to detail the history of the Methodist Episcopal Church in connection with West Chester. It was only a brief outline sketch, giving the names of the successive pastors, a few facts concerning the pasterate and the after life of each. Other matters were touched incidentally. In speaking of the town, he said: The town had its origin about the year 1780, and in this year the seat of justice for the county of Chester was moved from old Chester, on the Delaware River, to this place. And although at that early period West Chester was dignified

with the name of town, it nevertheless remained for many years only a village of small proportions. In 1799, when it was erected into a borough, there were only 375 inhabitants. He then traced its gradual increase as shown by successive census returns.

"While the first Methodist Church was built in 1816, Methodism began her work in the town six years earlier than that. The first Methodist preaching was in the old Court House, located on the corner of High and Market streets, and the first sermon is said to have been preached by Rev. William Hunter, then Presiding Elder of the Schuylkill District of Philadelphia Conference. This sermon was preached in the month of February, 1810. This first preacher was born in Ireland, and in his early ministry was a frequent companion of John Wesley, when he (Wesley) was traveling through Ireland."

After tracing further the history of Rev. Mr. Hunter, he took up the succeeding pastors in their order, and had something to say of each, with an occasional reference to some layman who accomplished much for the church. The following pastors were named in order. The date of the coming of each precedes his name: 1812, William Fisher and Thomas Dunn; 1813, John Fernon and Joseph Sampson; 1814, George Sheets, Thomas Miller and Samuel P. Lewis; 1815, Asa Smith and Joseph Sampson; 1816, William Torbert and Charles Reed; 1817, William Hunter and William Torbert; 1818, John Gotorth and Samuel Budd; 1819, John Robertson and Phineas Price; 1820, William Leonard and Thomas Davis; 1821, David Bartine and Thomas Davis; 1822, David Bartine and John Talley; 1823-1824, William Hunter; 1825, Henry Boehm; 1826, Jacob Gruber and Samuel Gracy; 1827, Whitfield Hughes; 1828, David Parrish; 1829, Jesse Thompson; 1830-1831, Levi Scott; 1832, Thomas Sovereign; 1833, Joseph Canfield; 1834, James H. McFarland; 1835, Bartholomew Weed; 1836-1837, John Lidnum; 1838, D. D. Loro; 1839-1840, William Urie; 1841, Matthew Sorin; 1842-1843, James Nicholson; 1844, Elijah Miller; 1845-1846, David E. Gardner; 1847-1848, David Shields; 1849-1850, James L. Johnston; 1851-1852, Alfred Cookman; 1853-1854, Charles Karsner; 1855-1856, Peter J. Cox; 1857-1858, Michael D. Kirtz; 1859-1860, James McCarter; 1861-1862, James Rush Anderson; 1863-1865, Curtis F. Turner; 1866-1868, J. B. McCullough; 1869-1871, William Major; 1872-1874, Wesley C. Best; 1875-1876, George Cummings; 1877-1879, S. N. Chew; 1880-1882, Robert J. Carson; 1883-1885, John T. Swindells; 1886-1890, Wm. H. Shaffer; 1891-1892, William J. Mills; 1893-1896, Thomas M. Jackson; 1897-1899, D. Mast Gordon.

Those who have ministered from 1853 to the present time were the subject of consideration in the sermon of Sunday, October 15th. Of the fifty-one ministers named, only nine were living when this sermon was delivered.

At the present time there are 487 members in this church, with 18 probationers, making a total membership of 505 persons.

During the reading of this history allusion was made to numerous persons who connected themselves with the church, and who are now still holding their membership in the church, during the administration of the different pastors.

Some of the details of building operations and expenditures on that account were mentioned in

these sermons where they came in place. These have been given in the history of this church published in the first edition of the Souvenir volume, and need not be repeated here. We conclude by quoting the following sentence, used near the close of the second sermon: "Methodism came into this century, few in numbers, but strong in courage, rich in faith and invincible in sacrifice; she goes out of this century a mighty army."

## FIRST PRESBYTERIAN.

**R**EV. W. R. LAIRD, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, delivered a sermon from the text Ps. 145: 4, "One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts."

Our text can be viewed as a prediction, a precept and a promise.

I. Viewed as a prediction the text declares what has taken place since those words were written.

Successive generations have accumulated a rich inheritance. We are heirs of the ages.

August 5, 1832, the first car drawn by horses went through from West Chester to what was called "The Intersection," now known as Malvern, to connect with the P. R. R., then in process of construction.

On Christmas Day, 1833, the line was completed into Philadelphia, and several prominent citizens of the State came on an excursion that day from Philadelphia and returned that afternoon.

This has special interest because it was exactly seventeen days after that event that this Presbyterian Church was organized by the New Castle Presbytery, January 10th, 1834.

For some twelve years after the organization of this church horses were used as the motive power on the branch line railroad. The track was made of yellow pine strip boards, plated with flat iron bars. The first locomotive came into West Chester in 1845.

When we think of the old stage coach of one hundred years ago, and of its use for thirty years or more of this century, and contrast it with our present steam and trolley roads, and the excellent service they render, we can well say, "What hath God wrought!"

Think also of the telegraph and telephone. It is not so long ago that the telegraph was introduced. Very few people know that we have a lady member of this church, living here in West Chester, only a little beyond middle life, who was the first lady telegraph operator in America and probably the first lady operator in the world.

Time would fail to speak of the improvement in education that has given this town such high reputation for its public schools, for to-day we must not fail to consider especially the growth of our religious privileges.

Only one church existed in West Chester one hundred years ago, and that was the Roman Catholic. All others had to go long distances to worship with those of similar faith.

Our church was organized in Odd Fellows' Hall, in the upper part of the building where the Village Record is published. During the year following it met in the Court House, and in the same room occasionally Presbyterian Church service would be held.

It was in the Court House that the New Castle

Presbytery met on January 10, 1834, to organize this church. Nineteen members were received on certificate, and thirty-two on profession of faith, making fifty-one in all.

Of these only one, Ellen E. Thomas, of Wilkesbarre, Pa., then Miss Ellen E. Miner, is living to-day.

From that little company of fifty-one souls, God has made to grow a vast number. During these years Dilworthtown Presbyterian Church has been organized, having now 76 communicants; the Second Presbyterian Church of West Chester, having now a membership of 63; the Westminster Presbyterian Church, with a present membership of 413, and the mother church with 538 communicants, making in all from that little band of 51 a present enrollment of 1,090 Presbyterians, 1,014 being members of the three Presbyterian Churches in this borough. Well may we exclaim, "What hath God wrought!"

II. Viewed as a command our text makes it our duty not only to transmit to other generations what God has given us, but by our own impress to make all blessings richer than when they came to us. We are giving an impress to this church and to the community. Let all we touch be better because of our influence.

The first pastor of this church, and who was largely instrumental in its organization, was Rev. William R. Stevens. His preaching was greatly blessed of God in leading many to repentance. He died October 3d, 1834, in his 28th year, only eight months and three weeks after the church was organized.

He was buried beside this church next to Darlington street, where his grave remained until after the establishment of Oaklands Cemetery, when it was removed to a beautiful spot in that City of the Dead. The grave is appropriately marked.

Rev. James J. Groff was the second pastor, and served the church until 1840, when he was succeeded by the third pastor, the Rev. John Crowell, D. D., who is still living at East Orange, N. J. You will remember his presence with us at the opening of our chapel. He is a very old man, and the only living ex-pastor of this church.

The fourth pastor was the Rev. Wm. E. Moore, D. D., whose funeral was recently held in this church, and who is also buried in Oaklands Cemetery. He became pastor in 1850, and served this church twenty-two years. For many years before his death he was Permanent Clerk of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, and edited the Digest of the General Assembly in several editions.

The fifth pastor was the Rev. B. T. Jones, D. D., who served this church from 1872 to 1882, when he was succeeded by the sixth pastor, the Rev. J. G. Caldwell, D. D., who died recently in Germantown, Philadelphia. Dr. Caldwell's pastorate ended in 1892.

The present pastor is seventh in this noble line, and this is within three weeks of being the seventh anniversary of his first sermon as pastor-elect, October 30th, 1892.

In speaking of the impress left by these men upon the church Mr. Laird produced a sermon preached in the church by its first pastor, nearly three-quarters of a century ago.

The paper was yellow with age, and the writing was somewhat faded, but the pastor read enough

of it to give the people an idea of its beauty and power, that they might hear, as he expressed it, "this voice from the dead."

The sermon was on the text Jer. 8: 20. "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."

## FIRST BAPTIST.

**P**RIOR to the sermon special prayer was offered by the pastor, Rev. Joshua E. Wills, that the Lord would be graciously pleased to grant clear weather and that nothing might mar the celebration of West Chester's Centennial.

The text of the discourse was Col. 3: 17. "And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus."

In his opening remarks the speaker referred to the beautiful decorations then in place in the borough and the patriotic spirit displayed by our citizens in their preparation for the Centennial celebration which evidenced the loyalty and appreciation of American citizenship. "We exhort all the members of this church and congregation," said he, "to co-operate most heartily with the committees in making the Centennial celebration a success. Much will depend upon the co-operation of every member of the community by each doing his part in aiding the observance of a law abiding spirit, the heirloom of an American citizen. And as members of the old First Baptist Church I would exhort, as pastor, each and every member to extend the fraternal spirit toward our friends and visitors in order to maintain the well earned reputation of the old borough of West Chester for hospitality."

Then turning the attention of the congregation to the text which he had announced he unfolded its Spiritual teaching without further reference to the Centennial.

## HOLY TRINITY.

**R**EV. ARTHUR ROGERS, rector of the Church of the Holy Trinity, preached from Job 32: 7, "Days should speak." In the course of his discourse he referred to the history of the church as follows:

The borough had been in existence for some years before the first services of the Episcopal Church were held within its borders. In November, 1835, a meeting was held in a private house, presided over by the Rev. Levi Bull, who was the apostle of so much of this region, and the Church of the Holy Trinity was organized.

It was seven years before the first church was erected, and it was not until 1870 that our present beautiful church was opened for public worship.

During these sixty-four years the parish has been served by ten rectors. Many associations, of course, cluster about it. A parish which saw the ordinations of Dr. Richard Newton and Dr. Bedell, afterward Bishop of Ohio, must have a claim upon the interests of the whole Church.

But while the rectors of this parish have been men of strong individuality, it speaks most highly for them and for the parish, that while they came and went, the parish has stood not for them, but for their Lord and Master. The best measure of a man's service is that when it has come to an end,

it has been so performed that another can take it up, and it seems to have been the case that with succeeding years, new opportunities and new blessings have always been given to this parish.

## SECOND PRESBYTERIAN.

**R**EV. C. L. BUTLER, of the Second Presbyterian Church, selected as his text Eph. 5: 16, "Redeeming the time because the days are evil." He spoke in part as follows:

"We are reminded this morning that our town (West Chester) has reached her one hundredth year, and we are about to celebrate her Centennial. To imagine what must have been the condition of things about here one hundred years ago and then to behold the contrast now, we can find its parallel nowhere better than in Isaiah, where he says, "In the wilderness shall waters break out and stream in the desert, and the parched ground shall become a pool and the thirsty land springs of water: in the habitation of the dragons where each lay shall be grass with reeds and bushes," etc. From a few dwellings and a few inhabitants we are now many buildings with 10,000 citizens. Let us keep in mind the fact that we are a part of this large number. We have our place to fill, our work to do. Are we making the most of our opportunities as a part of this people and as citizens?"

"Others have laid the foundation upon which we stand, and it is our duty to lay a foundation for future generations. Let us wake up. We have lost too many opportunities. At this late date we need to 'redeem the time,' or, better stated, 'buy back the opportunity.'

"1st. If we are to take our place in the rank of citizens, we must lay hold of the opportunities industriously. We must leave the street corners and sidewalks and go to work. One of our great drawbacks is that we have too many indolent, worthless men among our people. Too many idlers.

"2d. Again, we have too many who spend their money foolishly. The people of West Chester spend too much money for strong drink and cigars. Rev. Grimke said the poor man who drinks is a fool and the poor colored man who drinks is doubly a fool.

"3d. We need to seize the opportunities for education. There is no excuse for illiteracy. Now, every one has an opportunity to learn to read. The world is calling for intelligent men and women.

"But above all seize the opportunity to become Christians. You may be industrious, you may be intelligent, but the only way to reach the highest citizenship is to be a Christian. Robert Ingersoll might have been President of the United States had he been a Christian."

There was more argument of this sort, but the above shows the general trend of the discourse and its relation to the Centennial of West Chester.

## SURE FOUNDATION.

**T**HE services at this church were well attended. Both the morning and evening, as well as the Sabbath School exercises, in accordance with the request made by Burgess Talbot, Esq., marked the Centennial celebration, which proved itself the greatest in West Chester's history, and will probably be the one event longest remembered. The rector, Rev. Sydney N. Ussher,

chose for his morning text Ps. 90: 1-2, "Lord thou hast been our dwelling place in all generations. Before the mountains were brought forth or ever thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting thou art God."

This Church has not been without its influence in and upon this community. While we cannot as an individual parish claim great age, our first service having been held in Holy Trinity Protestant Episcopal Church on Gay street (now Armory Hall), January 21st, 1883, a place hallowed by sacred memories to some of you now within sound of my voice, we can, nevertheless, reach far back into the history of this beautiful town. While some sister churches can antedate our organization, yet this church, organized by my predecessor, the much beloved and scholarly William Newton, D. D., can in a measure go back to his rectorship of our present sister church, Holy Trinity, when Dr. Newton was its faithful and honored pastor. For three months, from February 4th, 1883, to May 6th, 1883, the services of this church were held in Cabinet Hall, over the Post Office. On May 13th, 1883, the congregation moved to its present home. How many scenes and changes have taken place in the improving of the building as well as in the membership of this church. The scrolls of heaven must be unrolled and angels tell us of the things done here which have influenced two worlds and will live through eternity. On the 5th of September, 1887, this church was altered at a cost of \$4,600 to its present condition, and consecrated February 26th, 1888. On February 6th, 1893, the beloved rector of this church was called to his rest, after a brief illness with pneumonia. On June 29th, 1893, the present rector accepted the call to this parish and is now completing his seventh year. Let us thank God with grateful hearts for His mercies, for surely we can say, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us," and give Him the glory for our prosperity.

## WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN.

**T**HE morning service in Westminster Presbyterian Church was well attended and the pastor, Rev. Alexander Esler, selected as his text Psalm 122:3, 7, "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem; they shall prosper that love thee. Peace be within thy walls and prosperity within thy palaces."

After referring to the use of this Psalm and others of a similar character by the Jews as they went up to the feasts in Jerusalem from year to year, the speaker referred to the general providence of God and to the feeling of patriotism that animates all loyal breasts. Then touching upon the early history of our own land he spoke of the very important part taken in the Revolution by the Presbyterians. Dr. Witherspoon, President of Princeton College, was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence and as a delegate from New Jersey he urged all others in the Assembly to sign it also, and stand by their country in that crisis. Rev. James Caldwell, of Elizabeth, N. J., of whom it was said "he preached and fought alternately," was so active in the support of the cause that a price was set upon his head by the British. He escaped for a while and did great work for his country, but his home was burned by the British and his wife was cruelly put to

death and he himself was finally slain. Two members of the Westminster Church are his lineal descendants.

After reciting some of the services rendered to the country by early Presbyterians, he described in brief the growth of Presbyterianism in West Chester. The denomination did not have an organization in West Chester until 1834 and did not develop much strength until Rev. Wm. E. Moore, D. D., became the pastor of the First Church. During his pastorate the denomination was strengthened and finally had a leading place, which it has since maintained.

## OLIVET BAPTIST.

**B**EFORE the morning discourse Pastor J. H. Chambers read a brief history of the Baptist denomination in West Chester. His Centennial sermon was, entitled "The Relation of Olivet Baptist Church to the Twentieth Century, West Chester," Ps. 48, 2, "Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth \* \* \* \* the city of the great King." Being a young church we necessarily face the future. Many noble Baptist workers have labored here, and we have entered into their labors. The Gospel principles which they made prominent we must make equally conspicuous. The corner stones of a Baptist Church are (1) "the Christian church for Christians only," (2) "we become children of God by faith in Jesus," (3) "the Bible a finished authority," (4) "the independence of the churches." During the past century, the standing of Baptists before the law has wonderfully improved. We have been granted liberty of public worship. We have been relieved from assessments in support of other denominations. We have been permitted to solemnize marriages. We have secured equality with other denominations before the law, and latest of all separation of church and State. We are thus in good shape to act our part in the new century's development of our borough. In order to be a positive factor in this respect we must set before us an exalted ideal and strive by every means in our power to realize it. The text presents three prominent features of such an ideal. First, the material, "beautiful for situation." Like ancient Jerusalem, West Chester is beautiful for situation. We think of this as embracing all the material improvements which have added to her original beauty and her desirableness as a place of residence.

Second, the civic feature of our future city, "the city of the great King." As far as in us lies, we should see to it that her people shall be citizens of such a municipality as God will approve and over which it would be fitting for Him to preside. Good citizenship must be our aim. Only those wise and patriotic men who represent the best elements of our citizens should be elected to office. They will give us good laws and these should be enforced by a powerful public sentiment. The liquor traffic, which in the century closing has been a source of untold misery and corruption, should be exterminated.

It will be a shame and a crime if West Chester does not early in the new century wipe out completely the liquor establishments of all sorts. The new patriotism must be stronger than partisanship. The true citizen will be brave enough to face the hatred of pothouse politicians and to endure ridicule, lies and all sorts of abuse.



COURT OF HONOR, looking north.

## LITERARY DAY.

Formal Exercises Held in the Assembly Building on Wednesday Afternoon.

**W**EDNESDAY was Literary Day, a time when the poet, the orator and the historian held sway before a great audience which crowded the Assembly Building to the doors and congested the hall ways leading thereto. Captain R. T. Cornwell, who for years had been identified with educational work, acted as the presiding officer.

With booming guns and clanging bells, among which the chimes at the Church of the Holy Trinity rang out exultant peals, West Chester was aroused at midnight and informed that her Centennial Celebration had formally begun.

The chimes began it, and "Columbia, the Gem of the Ocean," was the burden of their sweet tones. Then came the fire bells and many other bells, all ringing together and discordantly announcing that the proud old borough had been incorporated a century.

While this din was at its height, the sound of cannon rose high and clear above it all. Several guns were heard, every one sounding louder than the one before it.

Finally the air on the chimes changed to "My Country, 'Tis of Thee," which continued through

several stanzas, ending with the "Amen," which was the signal for many drowsy heads to fall upon pillows and rest until daybreak.

At eight o'clock the chimes were heard again, and at ten there was a furious blowing of whistles and ringing of bells, announcing that the people might begin preparations for the afternoon.

At two o'clock in the afternoon the Assembly Building was packed with people, all of whom had turned out to show their loyalty to the town and their interest in the proceedings. The building was prettily decorated and the stage setting especially good, the dignitaries on the front row being reinforced by a chorus of 200 boys and girls, who occupied raised seats at the rear of the platform.

The invocation was by Rev. Joseph S. Evans, the President of the School Board, who has been for a quarter of a century the pastor of Goshen Baptist Church, a short distance east of the borough.

Mr. Evans read the 150th Psalm, which is filled with words of praise, and then prayed as follows:

Almighty God, Thou Great Ruler of the Universe, in faith, in humble gratitude and love we approach Thy throne at this time to acknowledge Thy great goodness to us during the years of the past century. We praise Thy name for the prosperity that hath

attended us as a borough and community during this course of generations. O Lord, our God, we, the survivors, are met to-day to acknowledge Thee as our Friend, Protector and Guide in all the past.

We come at this time, humbly and in simple faith in Thy goodness, to invoke Thy blessing upon us as we enter upon our Centennial celebration. We would not forget that it is only because of Thy goodness to us that we are thus permitted to come. We pray Thee that there may not be in any heart a thought or desire to give praise to any other than the loving God, Author of our being. We know, our Father, that we are imperfect. We know that Thou art infinitely perfect. We crave Thy wisdom to guide us.

We praise Thee for the beauty and loveliness of nature as it appears in our fertile plains and valleys. We praise Thee for the blessings that Thou hast bestowed upon true, earnest hearts and hands that have labored to make what Thou has bestowed show forth Thy glory.

We humbly invoke Thy blessing upon us during all this celebration. O Lord, our God, we do not want to go without Thee; we would rather, like Thy children of old "stand still and see the salvation of God." We want that Thy Spirit may say to us, "Go forward."

We now pray thy precious blessing upon the young and rising generation. May they enter upon the new century with a fervent zeal to honor God, and to be more faithful than those that have preceded them in the active duties of life.

We implore Thy blessing upon our great and glorious country of which we are a part. Bless and guide the honored and beloved President of our nation, and all who are united with him in the government of this people.

We pray thy blessing upon our county and borough officials. May the wisdom of the just and holy God direct them and may they deal justly and in the fear of God in all their transactions.

Especially bless all those that shall take part in the various exercises. Give the speakers words of wisdom that may prove of great benefit to those that hear.

Bless all the people, that in the coming century Thy name may be even more honored than in the past.

All this we ask in the name and for the sake of Jesus Christ, Thy dear Son. Amen.

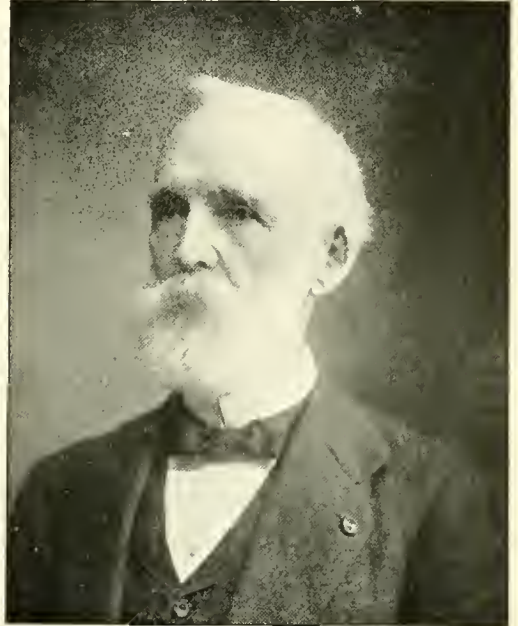
#### ADDRESS OF WELCOME.

The address of welcome, delivered in a masterly style by Burgess C. Wesley Talbot, was as follows:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen:—In the great plan of Creation, one hundred years is but a grain in the hour glass of time, but when measured by the life of man it is a long link in the endless and eternal chain. Antiquity everywhere spreads around us her mighty wings and envelops us in her gloom and shadow, but by the power of imagination we are enabled to live and possess thoughts which "date beyond the pyramids"—back to the time when the morning stars first sang together. To-day our thoughts go back through the mists of a century to the hour when our fathers first gathered about these scenes and laid the foundation of our municipality.

The spot upon which we now stand was selected by them as the Capital of their county dedicated as the Seat of Justice, where the public business should thereafter be transacted and the affairs of their countrymen adjusted according to the laws and customs of the land. Here amid the scenes of the Revolution, after the storm of battle had lifted its dark veil from the surrounding hills and valleys, with memories of Brandywine, Paoli and Valley Forge fresh in their minds, with liberty enshrined in the most hallowed chambers of their soul, with an intense application to duty and an invincible perseverance in the right they established the foundations of those institutions which are our richest inheritance to-day. Around and about them the face of nature was covered with sombre forests, hiding in

their deep shadows the rich virgin soil, the sun had never warmed. The key of nature securely locked from them the precious treasures of the earth. The rivers and lakes sped their clear waters to the sea untouched by the tread of commerce or trade. No fertile landscape, covered with rich pastures and browsing herds met their gaze. No broad acres of golden harvests awaited their gleaming. The Autumn suns did not ripen for them as for us, the crimson fruits of the orchard and vineyard. The highways leading to the outside world were few and uneven. Their trials were many, their comforts few, and the world lay within a narrow compass. But they were not men born to discouragement. While yet upon their mother's knee, they had learn-



R. T. CORNWELL, ESQ.

ed the lessons of contentment, perseverance and thrift. They were bred to all the hardships of toil and privation. Above them the star of liberty, just emblazoned on the political firmament, centred all their hopes and affections. As the wise men of the East rejoiced "with exceeding great joy" when they beheld the Star of Bethlehem, believing that it heralded a better day for the children of Israel, so these sturdy men rejoiced and took courage, when they beheld the star above them which told the story of American liberty. They flinched not at the duties which lay before them. The bills and umbrageous forests were made to give echo to their enterprise and industry; they made themselves the lords of the soil. The valleys which had echoed with the chase and the rude sports of the wild children of nature, were made to yield the rich fruits of husbandry. Mechanical skill brought forth towns and villages, where once stood the rude huts and wigwams of the earlier Aborigines. The lakes and the rivers were made the highways of commerce and wigwams of the earlier aborigines. The lakes and the rivers were made the highways of commerce

and trade and the streams to turn the spindles of industry. They revolutionized the face of nature and the habits of mankind and left to succeeding generations a rich and glorious inheritance. For many centuries, it has been a beautiful custom among civilized nations to manifest their gratitude towards those of their soldiers and sailors who had distinguished themselves through acts of great valor and devotion, by decorating them with medals of honor. Moved by the same generous spirit and prompted by the same patriotic impulses, we are gathered here to-day at the end of a century to decorate with our greenest laurels, the memory of our noble ancestors, who by their energy and patriotic devotion to public duty, not only laid the foundation of our municipal government, but also rendered valuable and material service in the formation and upbuilding of the government of our country.

Epon me the citizens of the borough of West Chester have conferred the duty and honor of extending a welcome to all those participating with us in our Centennial ceremonies. We greet you to-day in the most fraternal spirit and extend to you the hospitality of our town and our homes, and indulge the hope that your sojourn among us may be one of continual joy and pleasure.

The Century has run its course, and has now taken its place in the world's history. No page in all

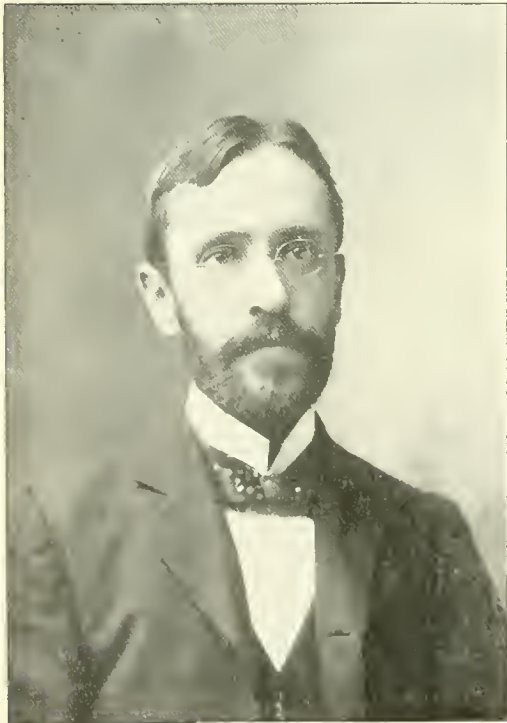
this great volume is so bright and glorious as the one upon which is recorded the struggles and achievements of the American people in the Nineteenth Century. After completing the circuit of National perils, it presents our Republic to the world as surpassing in grandeur, might and excellence the sublimest conception ever cherished of human government. Let us hope that the new century may bear even richer fruits and be blessed with even greater achievements than the old, and that the institutions established by our fathers and defended by us may be preserved unfettered and untarnished to all succeeding generations. May this occasion serve to strengthen the ties of friendship which have bound us together in the past and preserve them to our children in the future, so that not a single link may be found missing when another century shall have passed away and our descendants shall fill the places we fill to-day.

"And unto Him Who holds in the hollow of His hand the fate of nations and yet marks the sparrow's fall, let us lift up our hearts this day and unto His eternal care commend ourselves, our children and our country."

Prof. John Russell Hayes, of Swarthmore College, son of William M. Hayes, Esq., of West Chester, the poet of the occasion, read the following appropriate ode:

## WEST CHESTER CENTENNIAL ODE.

BY JOHN RUSSELL HAYES.



JOHN RUSSELL HAYES.

I

**H**ERE in the golden waning of the year,  
 When vale and wood are wrapped in  
 drowsy peace,  
 And languid vapors dim the distant hill.  
 When from his toil the farmer finds surcease,  
 And 'mid the orchard's shadows cool and still  
 The robin twitters clear,—  
 We come from clangorous cities far away,  
 From quiet villages, from peaceful farms,  
 Long-wandering children to the Mother's arms,  
 Here at the tranquil ending of her Century gray.

II

The sickle and the scythe are laid away,  
 The sheaves of harvest long are gathered in,  
 And corn-shocks crown the hill in rustling row;  
 The wheat is stored in granary and bin,  
 The ample mows are filled to overflow  
 With sweet and odorous hay,  
 Rich Autumn reigns o'er field and wood and  
 stream,  
 The Queen of peace and of abundance she;  
 No troubles vex her deep tranquillity,  
 No discord mars the placid glory of her dream.

III

The golden-rod is drooping by the road,  
 From bended boughs the ruddy apples hang,  
 The aster and the crimson sumac gleam  
 By fields where late sweet harvest-carols rang;  
 And up the old barn bridge the latest team  
 Hath labored with its load.



What happier season than the Autumn old,  
 What fairer time than ripe October days,  
 To turn upon the Past our loving gaze  
 And hail our centuried Town with greetings manifold!

## IV

It is a precious and a touching hour,  
 An hour of mingled happiness and tears;  
 We stand to-day and see a Century's close,  
 From out the silence of those hundred years  
 Comes, like the fragrance of a faded rose,  
 Old Memory's subtle power,  
 The Future looms before us dim and vast;  
 With prayerful hopes we face a Century's dawn,  
 With fond regret we mourn a Century gone;  
 This sacred moment links the Future with the  
 Past.

## V

Let joyous music greet this stately day,  
 Let oratory play its noble part.  
 While happy children with united voice  
 Uplift high harmonies that touch the heart;  
 Let all the grateful multitude rejoice;  
 Let tears their tribute pay.  
 The glory that we feel, the dear regret,  
 Must make of this a memorable hour;  
 We yield unto its pathos and its power;  
 The joy of this Centennial Day let none forget!

It fades into the legendary Past;  
 A glamour and a spell are round it cast;  
 So strange,—so strange and quaint and far away  
 it seems!

## VII

West Chester lies historic regions near;  
 From yonder hills she heard the thunders roll  
 Where surged and seethed all day the fiery flood,  
 Where that young champion, pure and high of soul,  
 The knightly Lafayette, gave of his blood,  
 And in a later year  
 These streets were filled with clamor and acclaim  
 When that great son of France stood here once  
 more,  
 Rehearsed the battle and each scene of yore,  
 And left behind the splendor of a deathless name!

## VIII

West Chester's founders lie in peaceful sleep,  
 Her worthies rest beneath the ivied grass;  
 Across their graves the sweet wild roses run  
 And give their balm to all the winds that pass,  
 Long silent are those gray heads every one,  
 But still their children keep  
 Their honest wisdom and their virtues strong;  
 And much that beautified those quiet lives  
 In gracious souls among us still survives,  
 Like fine and far-borne echoes of an ancient song.



"THE BEAUTEOUS BRANDYWINE."

Copp's Bridge.

## VI

How strange it seems, and quaint, and far away,  
 The little hamlet by the old cross-roads!—  
 The log-built school; the ancient inn, "Turk's  
 Head";  
 The humble, low-roofed houses, the abodes  
 Of sturdy village worthies born and bred  
 Beneath King George's sway,  
 Remote and dim as half-forgotten dreams

## IX

Here by the green heart of the countryside,  
 Close to the pleasant dales and wooded hills  
 That border on the beauteous Brandywin,—  
 Sweet stream that "dallies with its hundred  
 mills,"—  
 By meadow-lands where browse the placid kine,  
 And calm and peace abide,—  
 Our sires strayed not from Mother Nature's arms,

Lost not their contact with the wholesome earth  
 Whose sterling virtues ever have their birth;  
 Fresh strength they drew from these encircling  
 fields and farms.

## X

What well-known sights the wanderer doth behold  
 As once again his boyhood he renews.

And looks on many an old remembered place,  
 Though mellowed now and touched by Time's soft  
 dews!

Once more in meditation doth he pace  
 Each avenue of old;

And yet he sees no more in yonder street  
 The ancient hostelry once standing there.

The "White Hall" inn, nor famous old "Black  
 Bear,"

Nor the "Washington" that stood where here to-  
 day we meet.

## XI

And as each old remembered haunt he sees  
 He thinks of those brave lads who fought the fires

In former days, and whose successors yet  
 Are brave and true as were their valiant sires;—  
 Let none in this memorial hour forget

The honor owed to these!

And looking back he seems to see once more

The old-time Schools that gave our Town its  
 fame;

For Bolmar, Evans, Gause, and Wyers,—each  
 name

Calls up green recollections of the days of yore.

Came he whose white-haired sire is with us yet;  
 Here cultured Miner dwelt, and honored Bell,  
 And Worthington, and Haines;—thou knew'st  
 them well,

Old Town; their precious names we may not soon  
 forget!

## XIII

Nor were there wanting in a later day  
 Those who by gifts and culture stood apart,—  
 The sturdy Lewis, of a learned line;  
 The courtly poet-scholar Everhart;

Good Father John, the widely-loved divine;  
 And noble-hearted May.

Sweet old-time gentleman of life serene;

Hickman, the brilliant and the eloquent;

Futley, in whom the law and letters blent;

And Townsend, he of thoughtful brow and gentle  
 mien.

## XIV

And here our Chester County poets came,

Twin stars of song and brothers of the lyre,—

Taylor and Read, They roam no more, alas,

In Old-World paths, nor chant with lyric fire!

One sleeps beneath the quiet Longwood grass;

Old Kennett keeps his fame.

And sacred are the groves of Cedarcroft.

Nor less endeared is Read, whose passionate  
 heart

Found two-fold voice in poetry and art

Rich as his native Chester Valley deep and soft.



CEDARCROFT—The Home of Bayard Taylor.

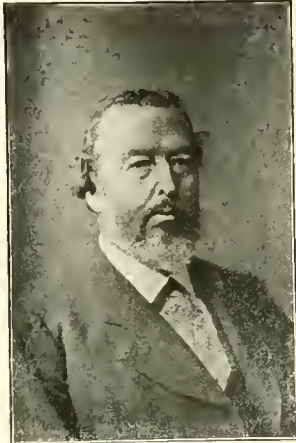
## XII

In those old times of cherished memory  
 Along these quiet streets the forms were seen  
 Of many a gifted, many a gracious one;  
 Here often passed with wise and pensive mien  
 The Nestor of our science, Darlington;  
 And from the polar sea

## XV

These we remember well, and many more;  
 In memory's vision once again they rise  
 To speak the glory of departed hours,  
 We gaze about us here with misty eyes,  
 For like the odor of immortal flowers  
 On some enchanted shore,

The fragrance of the Past is strong to-day;  
 Old voices call across the vanished years.  
 Old faces rise through consecrating tears:  
 Old names resound from out the bygone hours  
 and gray!



BAYARD TAYLOR  
 "Old Kennett keeps his fame."

## XVI

And now while Autumn spreads her gorgeous tide  
 Across old Chester County's happy vales,  
 Beside our stream of beauty, Brandywine,  
 And each green township's fertile meads and  
 dales;

While soft October suns serenely shine  
 O'er Chester Valley wide.—

Let us, the children of this peaceful shire,  
 And heritors of this beloved old Town,

With consecrating rites the Century crown,  
 With ceremony high and song of stately choir!

## XVII

O let us not forget our noble Past,  
 Nor lose our fathers' virtues strong and true,  
 Heirs as we are of old simplicity!

Let us go forth to meet the Century new,  
 Remembering this solemn jubilee

While life's sweet days shall last!

And this high hour we ever consecrate  
 With reverent hearts, unto our God above,  
 Who rules with His all-wisdom and His love  
 Each happy home of man, each commonwealth  
 and state.

## MUSIC OF THE DAY.

**T**HE music of the afternoon could not have been selected with greater thought for its appropriateness, nor executed with finer finish. The pupils of the schools under the direction of the public school musical director, Miss Mary J. Knowlton, did nobly, each one responding promptly to every motion of the baton. For several weeks they had been preparing for the occasion and the final rehearsal fully satisfied all that the music would be a complete success.

On raised seats, on the Assembly Building stage, the young people sat, the light dresses of the girls

relieved here and there by the dark suits of the boys. Miss Knowlton, the leader, wore a becoming gown of a light texture and directed the singing with grace and skill. Every student wore a red badge, which gave a touch of color to the group.

Mrs. William A. Brooke, the accompanist of the day, who is favorably known as the organist at the Church of the Holy Trinity, had been indefatigable in her work, and her skillful playing, so familiar and so popular with West Chester audiences, added greatly to the effect of the music.

The opening number was the "Song of Welcome," written by Mr. J. O. K. Roberts, of Phoenixville, chorus. The song is as follows:

## CENTENNIAL HYMN.

The Centennial Hymn, by Prof. John Russell Hayes, had been sent to music by J. Max Mueller, Mus. Doc., of this borough, and was sung with fine effect by the chorus. The words are these:

## I

**O**LD Chester County rests in silence golden,  
 Her peaceful fields have seen the harvest  
 home;

The fruits are garnered and the year is olden,  
 The woodlands wide are bathed in crimson foam.  
 As Autumn's wealth bestows an adled glory

And consecration on the ripened year,  
 So in the closing of thy Century hoary

Our love for thee, old Town, grows doubly dear!

## II

From many a home we come with fond affection  
 To dedicate thine ancient name anew,

Across the years with loving recollection

To hail the founders whom thy springtide knew,  
 Beneath the quiet turf they long are dreaming.

These sires who builded that we might enjoy;  
 O may we keep their memories brightly beaming,  
 Our heritage preserve without alloy!

## III

To God who in his overflowing bounty  
 Hath blessed our beautiful hills and fertile dells,—  
 The fields and farmsteads of old Chester County,—

Our tide of stately music upward swells.

To Him who gives this hour of consecration  
 Here in the golden, glad October days,

Whose love enfolds each peaceful generation,  
 Our voices thousandfold arise in praise!

## WELCOME SONG.

Chorus by School Children, adapted from Bayard Taylor's Centennial Hymn. Music by James C. Buckel, Philadelphia.

## I.

**W**ELCOME all, to this celebration,  
 Join in a spirit of energy,  
 Sing with us songs of exultation,  
 Fill the air with rich harmony.

## CHORUS.

West Chester's day has come,  
 May not a voice be dumb.  
 But let every tongue swell the chorus of cheers;  
 She hath won her glory,  
 Tell now the story.  
 And crown her the queen of a Hundred Years.

## II.

Welcome, yes, in a rare reunion,  
 Father and mother and daughter, son,  
 Here unite on this blest occasion,  
 Thousands rally to-day as one.

Chorus:

## III.

Welcome, warm, we'll rejoice together,  
 While we reflect on the years gone by,  
 Hail, all hail, County Seat of Chester,  
 Shout her praise to Heaven on high.

Chorus:

## IV.

Welcome these, who from distant sections,  
 Childlike to former scenes return,  
 Taken of undying affections,  
 Love for "Home" that will ever burn.  
 Chorus:

## V.

Welcome, now, may we banish faction,  
 Ecst every heart warmly in accord,  
 Still all that pertains to passion,  
 Lift our hearts in praise to the Lord.  
 Chorus:

The solo parts were sung by Mr. Norbert Hamilton, one of the most popular tenor singers in the town. Mr. Hamilton is a member of the choir of St. Agnes' Roman Catholic Church. His voice never sounded to better effect and the chorus, taken up by the many school children, swelled in hearty accord with the cordial welcome the town extended to her guests.

The responsive song, written also by Mr. Robarts, was sung by that gentleman himself. Mr. Robarts has appeared as a soloist in West Chester on several occasions, and always is appreciatively received. As with the former song, the students sang the chorus. The song is as follows

## RESPONSIVE SONG.

Chorus by School Children. Music by M. Keller

## I.

**W**E COME from country, from hamlet and town,  
 Responsive to your fraternal request,  
 Each son and daughter of Chester feels proud  
 This festal day to be enrolled as your guest.

## CHORUS.

Ring out, ye brazen bells, sweet paens of joy,  
 Now let the trumpet's loud resonant blare,  
 Make merry music through the tremulous air,  
 Thrilled be each soul this glad day without alloy.  
 Chorus:

## II.

Hail Seat of Justice, to thee bring we cheers,  
 And join with glee in thy glory and pride,  
 Sing every voice, every heart beating wild,  
 Greet thee with love, thou fair Centennial bride.  
 Chorus:

## III.

By God's great kindness, His patience and grace,  
 Throughout the Century swiftly gone by  
 Blessings have fallen like jewels so rare,  
 Thanks be to Him Who rules and reigneth on high.  
 Chorus:

## IV.

Plainness gave way to refinement apace,  
 From out of wildness came beauty and form,  
 Church, Home and School all united as one,  
 Aided West Chester on her grand onward race.

## V.

Praise to the Fathers and Patrons who thus,  
 Built so wisely this rich heritage,  
 Garlands of praise o'er their memories entwined,  
 Enroll their triumphs on Eternity's page.  
 Chorus:

## VI.

Sages and Heroes here spent their lives,  
 Men great in council and mighty of speech,  
 Jurists and Statesmen of wide-spreading fame,  
 Whose deeds will far into the dim ages reach.  
 Chorus:

## VII.

When war's dread slogan was heard in the land,  
 Threat'ning our country in sections to rend,  
 Forth went her sons, fired with patriot zeal,  
 Eager the Union with their lives to defend.  
 Chorus:

## VIII.

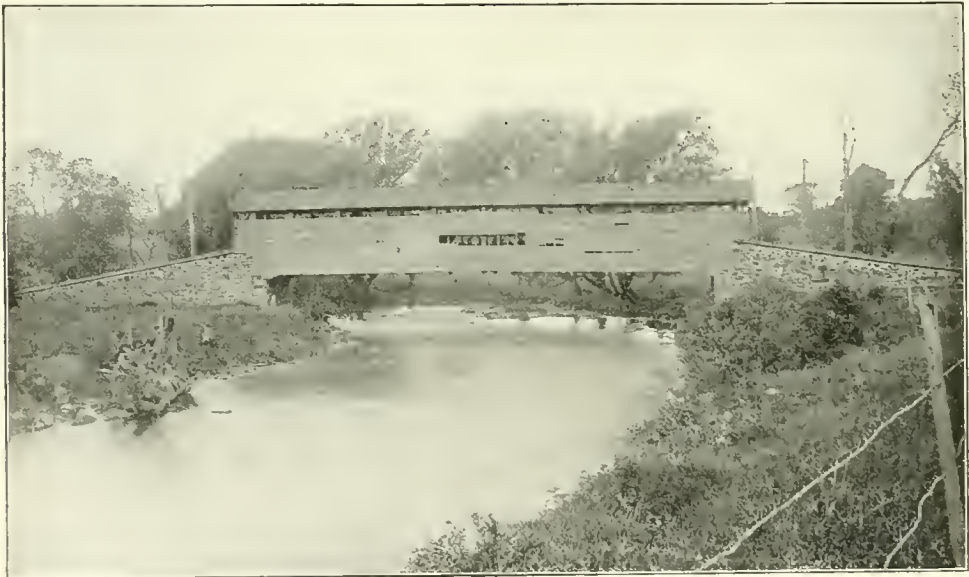
Noblest of virtues we here find displayed,  
 By a broad system of Sweet Charity,  
 Care for the aged and aid for the maimed,  
 All honor for this trait of humanity.  
 Chorus:

## IX.

Robust in vigor, in beauty arrayed,  
 See how her treasures before us unfold,  
 Proud of her story of progress and worth,  
 Let it in forceful lyric strains now be told.  
 Chorus:

## X.

Move grandly onward, thou centre of thought,  
 Leading in all things pertaining to right,  
 Raise high the banner of mercy and love,  
 Be to the world a true and bright beacon light.



JEFFERIS' FORD, ON THE BRANDYWINE.

Where the British Army, under General Wm. Howe, crossed Sept. 11th, 1777, a few hours before the Battle of Brandywine.

## PATRIOTIC SONGS.

The song programme ended with "America" and "Star Spangled Banner," sung by the chorus, with a spirit that sent a responsive thrill through the whole audience.

These are the names of the singers who formed the chorus:

## PUBLIC SCHOOL PUPILS.

## SOPRANOS.

|                   |                    |                   |
|-------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| Mabel Thorp,      | Blanche Lewis,     | Phebe Gheen,      |
| Lillian G. Davis, | Kate Barnes,       | Grace Hood,       |
| Lottie Davis,     | Christine Sent,    | M. Himmelright,   |
| Ethel Bidden,     | Jennie Darlington, | E. Williams,      |
| Florence Thorp,   | Vella Smith,       | L. Cox,           |
| Elsie Pierce,     | Mary Mosteller,    | Willard Ronk,     |
| Florence Hoopes,  | E. Jefferis,       | John Groff,       |
| Florence Kerwin,  | G. Paddis,         | Ra'el McMichael,  |
| Reba Hoopes,      | Mabel Ridgley,     | Lilli'n Tompkins, |
| Martha Ingram,    | Alice Dowlin,      | Helen Baker,      |
| Marion Leedom,    | Lizzie Kane,       |                   |

## ALTOS.

|                   |                 |                   |
|-------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Bertha Frame,     | M. Clark,       | Eva Francis,      |
| George Strode,    | L. Bleam,       | A. Proctor,       |
| A. Kerwin,        | E. Smith,       | Hattie Ramsey,    |
| Fannie Elliott,   | Alice Bullock,  | Jean Speakman,    |
| Lillian Davis,    | Elsie Brinton,  | B. Brooke,        |
| E. Baldwin,       | Lydia Foulke,   | N. Darlington,    |
| L. Strode,        | Helen Thatcher, | Fred. Hickman,    |
| M. Speakman,      | Lewis Powell,   | E. Harvey,        |
| Alice Windle,     | S. James,       | Minnie Wynn,      |
| Harold McC'gan,   | M. McClenaghan, | Mildred Chris'an, |
| Renwick Laird,    | Ethel Cooper,   | Charles Conradt,  |
| Ethel Darlington, | Della Mason,    | Leon Kane,        |
| Marion Smith,     | Hattie Torbert, | Mary Leonard,     |
| Bertha Thorp,     | Wm. Downing,    | Ira Davis,        |
| F. King,          | S. Eastburn,    | Flor'ce Speak'an, |
| E. Hayes,         | Ed'in Chambers, |                   |

## TENOR.

|                 |                |                 |
|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Charles Henry,  | George Bailey, | Pearl Troutman, |
| Henry S. Evans, | Edward Palmer, | Everhart Gheen  |

BASS.

|                   |               |                 |
|-------------------|---------------|-----------------|
| Herman Frame,     | Roy Burns,    | William Dowlin, |
| Joseph Smith,     | Frank Ronk,   | He'son Canning, |
| S. Washington,    | E. Bailey,    | T. Masterson,   |
| H. Frame,         | W. Munshower, | W. Hood,        |
| Isaac Darlington, | Paul Ladd,    | B. Strode,      |
| Benton Atkin,     | Wm. Conradt,  | Norman Hoopes,  |
| John Hoskins,     | R. McCowan,   | Alan Baldwin,   |
|                   | Harry Burns,  |                 |

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS.

(Parochial and Villa Maria.)

## SOPRANO.

|                |                   |                 |
|----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| Mary Kerr,     | Josie Broomall,   | Mary Farrell,   |
| Nellie Murphy, | Mary McFadden,    | Mary Delaney,   |
| Mary Penrose,  | Hattie Grant,     | Minola Hurst,   |
| Alice Sheller, | Helen Dulin,      | Louise Garry,   |
| Clara Doto,    | Mary Stedman,     | Lulu Nolan,     |
| Anna Haley,    | Mary Byrne,       | Maud Gallagher, |
| Lucy Alsworth, | Margory Aris,     | Nellie Farrell, |
| Katie Gill,    | A'a McCullough,   | Anna Gibney,    |
| Katie Murphy,  | Cecilia Rich'ond, | Joseph'e Adams, |

## ALTOS.

|                 |               |                |
|-----------------|---------------|----------------|
| Emily McClain,  | Ella Mulahy,  | Mary Kelly,    |
| Anna Donovan,   | Emma Day,     | Mary Kiffer,   |
| Lucy Finegan,   | M. Rourke,    | Mary Hastings, |
| Maggie Sheller, | J. Witherald, | Agnes Eagan,   |
| Mamie Moran,    | Mary Nolan,   | Rose McKenna,  |
| Lillie Donovan, | Grace Rourke, |                |

## NORMAL VOICES.

## SOPRANOS

|                |                |                |
|----------------|----------------|----------------|
| Elinor Wilson, | Mary MacElree, | Alice Downey,  |
| Miss Campbell, | Miss Fernside, | Miss Keech,    |
| Miss Bolt,     | Miss Loughery, | Mary Heed,     |
| Mary Moore,    | Miss Maily,    | Marion Eachus, |
| Miss Horn,     | Miss Stinson,  | Miss Stuart,   |
|                | Mrs. Denning,  |                |

## ALTOS.

|                  |                   |                 |
|------------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| E. Moore,        | Mary Arnold,      | Miss Hunsicker, |
| Je'ie Wick'sham, | Marg'rite Beatty, | Miss Hunter,    |

## TENOR.

|                 |               |             |
|-----------------|---------------|-------------|
| Mr. Schoonover, | Mr. Strauss,  | Mr. Zulick, |
| Mr. Beck,       | Mr. McCauley, |             |

## BASS.

|             |                  |            |
|-------------|------------------|------------|
| Mr. Davis,  | Mr. Sternberger, | Mr. Weand, |
| Mr. Sotter, | Mr. McCreary,    |            |



HON. WAYNE McVEAGH.

HON. WAYNE McVEAGH, of Bryn Mawr, who was present as one of the distinguished guests, was called upon for a few remarks, to which call he responded in this happy vein:

"Ladies and Gentlemen, Fellow Citizens of West Chester:—Do not be frightened. I am going to speak for only a few moments. You have already heard so much valuable data regarding your county and borough that it would be needless for me to add anything. It would, however, be ungracious in me to refuse to say a few words of greeting to the people of this town, where I am always so cordially

welcomed and where I have been always so kindly treated."

Mr. MacVeagh complimented highly the local history of Mr. Cope, a portion of which had been read and expressed the thought that the whole will be read with much pleasure in its published form. Dr. Lewis' oration he designated as a most eloquent and exhaustive treatise on the philosophy of history and one which embodied in a few words the message of the nineteenth century to the twentieth.

The gentleman thought that mention of one important fact had been omitted. There had been in the hundred years of West Chester's history two especially eminent Chief Burgesses. Burgess Talbot was one, the other had been himself. Applause and laughter greeted this sally. Mr. MacVeagh spoke of his great pleasure in hearing the poetry of his old friend, Mr. Roberts, and that of the son of his old friend, Mr. Hayes, and felt that the occasion was one to be long made memorable in the annals of the town.

### ORATION

By Hon. CHARLTON T. LEWIS, of New York.  
(See Page 38).

### HISTORY

By GILBERT COPE, of West Chester.  
(See Page 50).

### THE BENEDICTION

The benediction was by Rev. S. B. Spalding, pastor of St. Agnes' Catholic Church. Father Spalding is the veteran pastor of the town, having been in service longer than any other clergyman in the borough, and his flock is the largest.

His words were these:

As a fitting conclusion to these literary exercises let us invoke the blessing of Almighty God:

May His blessing descend upon this borough and its people—the gem of Pennsylvania's inland towns—



REV. S. B. SPALDING

whose Centennial anniversary we have met here to commemorate. May it descend upon this great Commonwealth, the "Keystone of the Union," upon this Union of States, upon our Chief Executive and upon all those who are appointed to rule us. May His benediction rest upon us all and make us all better friends, better citizens and better Christians.

And upon you especially, who are assembled here this day, may the blessing of the great God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit—the God whom all Christians adore—may His blessing descend upon you and remain with you forever! Amen.



WEST CHESTER PIONEER CORPS, NO. 1, at Washington and Matlack streets.

# THURSDAY, CIVIC DAY.

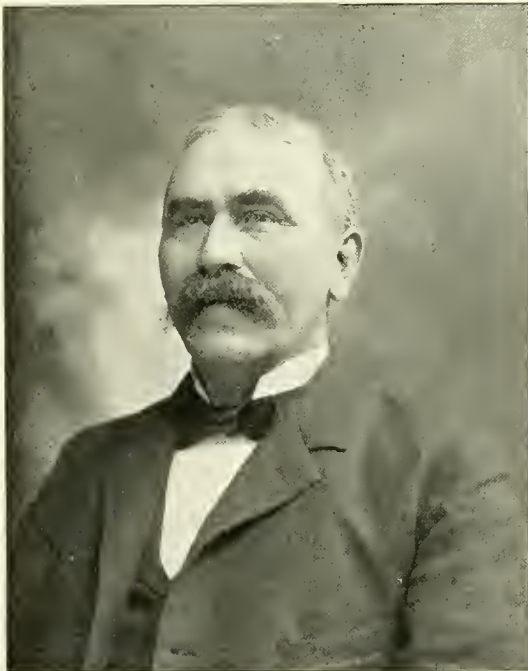
## Marching Organizations Appear on the Streets and Are Reviewed.

**T**HURSDAY, October 12th, was observed as Civic Day, the chief feature on this day being a parade of all the civic and military organizations, with the exception of the firemen. Three thousand marching men, representing various Orders and coming from all the towns in this section of the State, stepped to the music of more than a score of brass bands. All the men wore their regalia and badges.

The line of march, which occupied more than an hour in passing a given point, was over this route of parade:

Form on Gay street, right resting on Church; Church to Miner, to Wayne, to Union, to High, to Rosedale avenue, to Walnut, to Market, to High, to Gay, to Mathack, to Biddele, to Church, to Gay, to New, to Market, to High, to Barnard and dismiss.

The marching men were reviewed by Burgess C. Wesley Talbot, General Schall, Adjutant General Thomas J. Stewart, Auditor General Levi G. McCauley, Congressman Thomas S. Butler, Mayor Coates, of Chester, and others.



CHIEF MARSHALL L. C. MOSES.

### THE LINE OF PARADE.

Chief Marshal—L. C. Moses.  
Aids—L. B. King, Major E. B. Moore, W. W. Woodward, S. M. Paxson, George Moses, Dr. P. C. Hoskins, Silas Wright, Louis T. Gibney, O. F. Groff, Robert S. Waddell, Horace F. Temple, Francis Jacobs, Jefferson Shaner, William Mullin, Arthur Brinton, Granville Pratt, Arthur B. Hammond; attire, dark clothes, silk hats and badges.

Phoenixville Military Band, 27 pieces; L. B. Vanderslice, Leader.

### FIRST DIVISION.

Captain L. R. Walters, Co. D, of Phoenixville; 36 men and two officers, in command of Lieutenant F. M. Crosby.

Co. B, of Chester; 45 men and three officers. F. F. Turner, Captain; W. K. Evans, First Lieutenant; W. K. Foley, Second Lieutenant.

Co. J, of West Chester; 40 men and three officers. G. G. Cornwell, Captain; Granville S. Bennett, First Lieutenant; H. J. Smith, Second Lieutenant.

Co. C, of Chester; 60 men. A. F. Damon, Jr., Captain; William Mareklin, First Lieutenant; William Hathaway, Second Lieutenant.

Co. H, of Media, 45 men. W. L. Matthews, Second Lieutenant, in command.

Battery D, of Philadelphia. Captain, Clarence Carpenter. Two Gatling guns, two field pieces, 50 men.

First Presbyterian Red Cross Emergency Corps, of Philadelphia, mounted on caisson. Major W. F. VanBuren in command.

Battery C, of Phoenixville; two field pieces and two Gatling guns. Captain Bean and Lieutenant Fulmer in command.

Firing Squad of Met'nal Post, No. 31, G. A. R., of West Chester; 45 men. Christopher Beckman, Commander.

West Chester Drum Corps (colored).  
George F. Smith Post, No. 130, G. A. R., 30 men. Daniel Bruce, Commander.

Carriage containing Congressman Thos. S. Butler and Burgess C. Wesley Talbot.

Carriage containing Borough Council.

### SECOND DIVISION.

Marshal—Harry G. Smith  
Aids—W. J. Corcoran, J. M. Keech, F. H. Eachus, J. Walter Gwilliam, George Darlington, T. Clifford Williams, J. P. Woodward, B. S. Eldridge, Horace Brinton, Jos. H. Baldwin, M. W. Hayes, J. Howard Taylor, W. S. Davis, George F. Field, E. B. Hoge, James S. Carey, A. B. Roecker, J. Llewellyn Meredith, Jr., E. G. Strickland, W. B. Smith, Charles L. Talbot, Jacob F. Wall, R. J. Henderson.

Third Regiment Drum Corps, of Philadelphia. 30 pieces.  
West Chester Pioneer Corps, No. 1, of West Chester. Captain, Howard Hawley.

### ODD FELLOWS.

Chief Marshal—T. T. Smith; Aids, T. Lin Lewis, F. S. Hickman and Benjamin Cohen.

West Chester Cornet Band, 25 pieces. Wm. Buxton, Leader.  
Philadelphia Canton, No. 1, O. Geucker, Chief Marshal, 25 men; Captain Snowden.

Canton, Lancaster, No. 25; 25 men. John J. A. Hoover, Captain.

Citizens' Band, of Chester, 25 pieces.  
Upland Lodge, No. 253, I. O. O. F., Owen J. Wood, Marshal; 40 men.

Ivanhoe Lodge, No. 90, of Sugartown; 40 men.  
Carriages containing Grand Lodge officers of Odd Fellows of Pennsylvania, among them Grand Master Esau Loomis.

America Band, of Philadelphia, 25 pieces. S. Barnett, Leader.  
Rose Tree Odd Fellows, 55 men. Winfield F. Worral, Marshal.

Eastern Star Lodge, No. 402, of Unionville; float with 35 ladies dressed in white.

Utopia Band, of Elkview, 16 members. Harry F. Webster, Leader.  
Eastern Star Lodge, of Unionville, 70 men. Wm. Baldwin, Marshal.

West Chester Lodge, No. 42, and Pocahontas Lodge, No. 316, 70 men. William Walton, Marshal.

### KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS.

Harry Eachus, Chief Marshal.  
Iroquois Band, of Lancaster.

Inland City, Co. 7, Uniform Rank, K. of P., of Lancaster, Captain, S. M. Skeen; First Lieutenant, Harry Smith; Second Lieutenant, J. K. Eckert. 30 men.



Automobile in foreground, with Senator William P. Snyder, ex-Senator Thomas V. Cooper and T. L. Eyre on rear seat; followed by antique sleigh, with Howard H. Binton as gentleman and Marshall Taylor as lady. Two horse sleigh driven by John Hipple.

Carriages containing State officers of Knights of Pythias.

Stella Lodge, of West Chester, and delegation from Media, 45 men. James Stuk, Marsh. l.

T. A. B.

Wm. J. Corcoran, Chief Marshal. Aids, Patrick Corcoran, Wm. Welsh and Wm. McCormick.

Mendelssohn Military Band, of Parkesburg, 20 pieces. Wm. Harris, Leader.

St. Paul's T. A. B. Society, of Philadelphia, 12 men. Robert Cain, Marshal.

St. Paul's T. A. B. Pioneer Corps, of Philadelphia, 40 men. E. Smith, Captain.

St. Michael's T. A. B. Society, of Philadelphia, 75 men. Owen Kelly, Marshal.

St. Agnes' T. A. B. Society, of West Chester, 109 men. James Reilly, Marshal.

Large float drawn by four gray horses. Twenty-four ladies singing temperance and patriotic songs.

Officers of T. A. B. Union, of Philadelphia, in carriages.

#### KNIGHTS OF THE GOLDEN EAGLE.

Joseph E. Reagan, Chief Marshal.

Burgess Military Band, of Lancaster, 16 pieces; Aaron Esheiman, Leader.

Third Regiment Staff Officers, K. G. E.

Blue Cross Commandery, No. 46, of Lancaster.

Captain, E. F. Furrler.

Crusaders' Commandery, No. 5, of Wilmington, Del.; 40 men. Charles A. Barberger, Captain.

First Regiment—Lieutenant Colonel C. A. Roessler in command.

West Philadelphia Commandery, No. 8, 25 men. I. H. Worrall, Captain.

Wooten Commandery, No. 45, of Bryn Mawr, 15 men. Captain, M. M. Roberts.

Ivanhoe Commandery, No. 26, of Philadelphia, 42 men. Captain, Lewis C. Lowery; First Lieutenant, Charles Penby; Second Lieutenant, J. C. Music.

Coatesville Commandery, No. 87, 20 men. Captain, O. L. Charnell; First Lieutenant, Wm. Mallalieu; Second Lieutenant, Lear Miller.

Carriage containing the veteran K. G. E., J. S. Ward, of Malta Castle, No. 101, dressed as a Venerable Hermit.

#### CASTLES OF K. G. E.

Germania Band, of Norristown, 25 pieces.

Oxford Castle, No. 232, 65 men; ex-Sheriff A. H. Ingram, Marshal.

Hockessin Castle, No. 50, and Landenberg Castle, No. 273, 55 men. Frank Taylor, marshal.

West Chester Castle, No. 226, 30 men; Walter D. Broomall, Marshal.

Delegation from Castle No. 472, of Goshenville.

JR. O. U. A. M.

J. Barton Keech, Chief Marshal.

Pinners of different Delaware county Councils.





CIVIC DAY—UNIONVILLE'S FLOAT IN FOREGROUND.

Ettinger Band, of Chester, 20 pieces; John Ettinger, Leader.

John Morton Council, No. 36.

Huston Council, No. 39.

Hyatt Council, No. 573.

Mantyuakee Council, No. 999, of Sharon Hill, 10 men. Howard Townsend, Captain.

Edgemont Council, No. 823, 30 men. Dressed in hickory striped suits and straw hats. Banners with "Farmers' Council," and two men leading a goat.

Ten boys carrying American flag.

Clifton Heights Council, No. 789, 20 men. T. A. Warnick, Marshal.

Pride of Pickering Council, No. 927, of Charlestown, 25 men. Harry G. Howard, Marshal.

Farmers' Council, No. 953, of Marshallton, 30 men. Thomas Harvey, Marshal.

Unique Band, of Shenkel's, 24 pieces. John Acre, Leader.

Brandwyne Council, No. 758, of West Chester, 60 men. Charles Marshman, Marshal.

Edward S. Deemer, National Councilor, and Dr. W. P. Dickinson, State Councilor, in carriage.

#### P. O. S. OF A.

George W. Darlington, Chief Marshal. Aids, George Osborne, George Sylvester, W. F. M. Reese, William John, George Davis, Bayard Johnson.

Spring City Band; Camp No. 191, Spring City; Camp No. 351, Park-sburg; Camp No. 377, Honeybrook;

Chester Springs Band; Camp No. 275, Chester Springs; Camp No. 150, Valley Forge; Camp 682, Warwick;

Camp No. 338, Downingtown; Nantmeal Band; Camp No. 335, Nantmeal Village; Camp No. 298, Byers;

Camp No. 548, Malvern; Camp No. 384, Sugartown; Camp No. 673, West Chester.

Float, Goddess of Liberty.

Large canopy float, with Leonard Osborne as Goddess; two Continental officers and two National Guards.

Knights of Malta, of Coatesville, 200 men.

#### THIRD DIVISION—FLOATS.

Marshal, Joseph James.

Aids, Benj. H. Sweney, Elwyn Strode, H. Sharpless Dutton, L. J. Speakman, A. M. Keys, Benjamin Thorne, Curtis Vandever, Thos. Lewis, Daniel Stetson, Chas. C. Townsend.

The floats were among the most attractive features of the parade, varied in character, as they were, and represented Secret Societies and divers industries in Chester county and elsewhere.

Independent Order of Odd Fellows—Eastern Star Lodge, No. 402, of Unionville, was represented by an attractive float, upon which were seated the only surviving charter members, C. Marshall Ingram, of Toughkenamon, and Henry DuBree, of Wilmington, surrounded by several young ladies in white. The driver was Thomas Windle.

Patriotic Order Sons of America—This Order was represented by a historical float, with a wounded soldier, fallen at the mouth of the cannon, and Mollie Pitcher supplanting him at his post of duty. A dozen characters in the uniforms of soldiers made the scene all the more suggestive. Upon another float of the Order the Goddess of Liberty was represented, surrounded by four soldiers as sentinels, to good advantage.

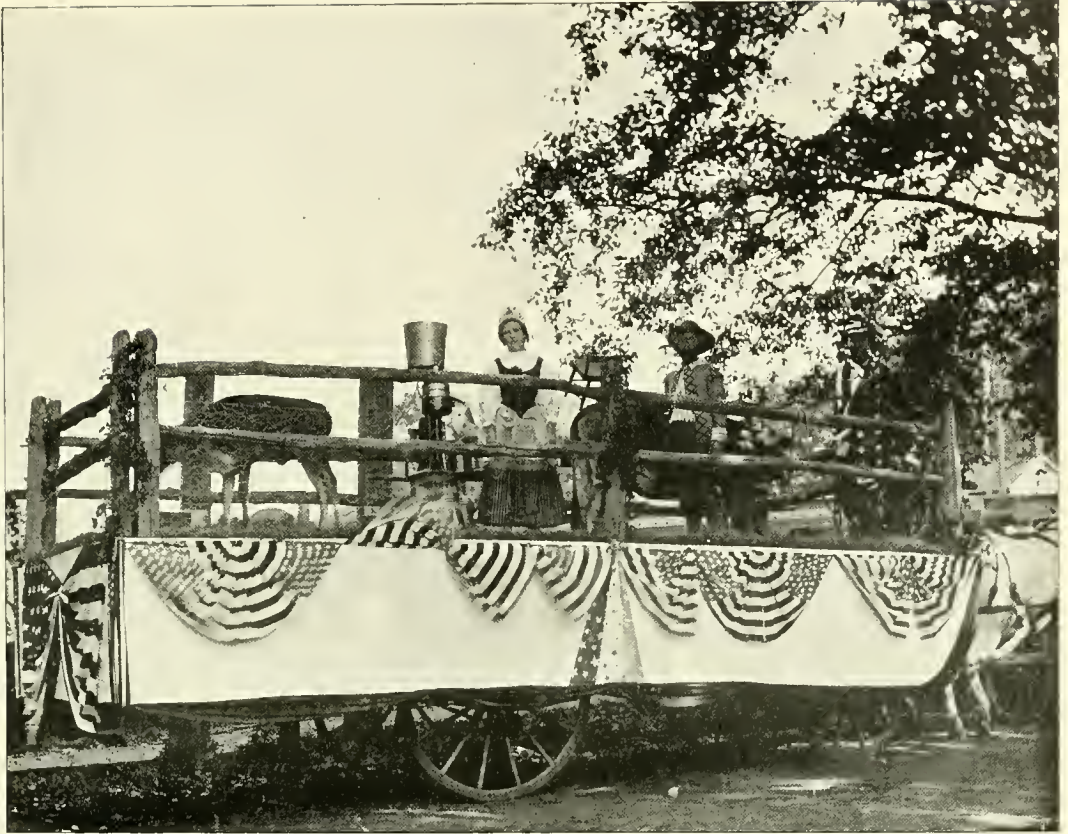
A jaunting-car—Francis H. Gheen rode through the procession in an Irish jaunting-car, accompanied by three friends, John B. Kinnard, Esq., Edward



CIVIC DAY—ST. PAUL'S PIONEERS IN FOREGROUND.



"COONVILLE" FLOATS AND WEST CHESTER FIRE COMPANY.



JOHN V. MORGAN AND MISS SARAH LYNN Exhibiting Sharples' Separator.

S. Darlington, of West Chester, and Mr. Huston, of Columbus, O.

Mr. Gheen's floats—Mr. Gheen was also represented in the parade by three fine floats, upon which were arranged in tasteful style wagons, vehicles, harness, plush robes, horse blankets and other articles which advertised his business to good advantage.

Brinton & Worth were represented by four floats, suggestive of their business. The first was decorated with plush robes and horse blankets, upon the second a Ross fodder-cutter was in operation, the third consisted of a sleigh of a century ago, driven by a typical couple of that period, and the fourth contained a handsome two-horse cutter, with all necessary equipments.

Hoopes, Bro. & Darlington—This firm, the largest manufacturers of wheels in this section of the United States, was represented by a huge float containing products of their mills.

An old-time smithy—An old-time blacksmith shop, with a village smith at the anvil, represented the business of George W. Kearney, and this float was drawn by a spanking team of bays. The smith was Charles W. Goodwin, and the driver, William Johnson

Jonathan C. Hare was a conspicuous figure in the procession, his grocery being represented by a float finely decorated with fruits and goods of almost every description. Mr. Hare was rather generous with the Centennial visitors along the line of march, and made liberal distributions of fruits and cakes of all kinds. He was assisted by J. Warren Frame, Amos Davis, George Speakman, Norman Mercer, Samuel M. Davis, and William Hare.

E. Rosenberg had his New York Store represented by a float, showing the interior of a lady's dressing room, with the figure of a woman attired in stylish costume, and a handsome canopy projecting from above. Elwood Foreman was in charge.

The Separator Works—The Separator Works of P. M. Sharples contributed two fine floats, the first representing a pasture field, in which stood a fine specimen of the Jersey cow, with a buxom Maud Muller in the act of milking. Two tiny pigs and a calf also gamboled about the grass near by, making the scene pretty and realistic as well. The next float contained cream separators of every description, such as are manufactured at the Sharples plant.

F. S. Hickman and the Morning Republican had a float in line, with printing presses operated by Ernest Roos and John F. Mitchell, and the whole drawn by a pair of oxen.

G. H. Rodebaugh displayed a wagon in course of construction, one already finished, followed by a wagon loaded with milk cans, representing the farmer on his way to the creamery. Then came a reaper and binder and other agricultural implements.

William C. Currey's green grocery was represented by the products of the garden, arranged neatly upon a large panel, with the firm's name in the center.

The Boston Clothing House contributed one of the largest floats in line, drawn by four fine Percheron horses. It represented a room containing several persons, attired in the costume of "ye olden

Gunkle W. Smith had his gardens represented by a float containing fruits and vegetables tastefully arranged, with his two well-fed boys, Ralph and Horace, sat as living examples of what the products of the soil will do in the way of rearing sturdy men.

H. S. Dutton had his grocery house represented by a float containing an immense coffee pot, and samples of a fine grade of coffee were distributed all along the route. Alonzo Cooper drove.

J. Howard Taylor had his kennels represented by a float of a most appropriate style, in the cages of which were fourteen foxes, fox-hounds, white rabbits and other animals, including a little family of beagle dogs.



METHODS OF PRINTING—Mrs. Hannah G. Clenson's Home in Background.

time," all of whom were industriously engaged in distributing advertising cards. The boys were William Geary, James Farrell, William Mason, William Moore, Thomas Farrell, Joseph Fox and a tiny lad named Jackson. John Baldwin was the driver.

The Millbrook Lea Green houses, of Whitford, furnished a display of potted plants, ferns and palms which was greatly admired.

Charles H. Sheller & Son delineated their business by a float containing the product of the garden, neatly arranged, and profuse in quantity.

Joseph Kift & Son furnished a float indicative of their business, that of florists, with a forest of palms, in the center of which was a miniature court of honor, and in the rear under a bower of green sat the centennial queen, a tiny maiden robed in white and almost lost in cut-flowers and plants. She was Virginia, daughter of Robert Kift, Philadelphia.

H. M. Hillegass had his cigar factory represented by a room in which stood a large pyramid of cigars, while round about the cigar-makers, C. O. Benner, Howard Hillegass and Elmer Levy, were busily engaged in rolling the seductive weed.

Max Meyer represented his gardens by a double-sided pyramid of vegetables and fruits of every description.

The Denny Tag Company contributed a float with three pyramids of tags of every shade and size.

S. C. Black advertised his sash factory with a float upon which machinery was in operation, including a turning lathe, upon which souvenirs were made, which were thrown among the crowds by Miss M. Lillian Black and Miss Helen M. Chambers.

A chimer came next in the procession, and furnished inspiring airs of a patriotic nature.

The West Chester Dairy furnished a float of jars of milk, receptacles of butter and kindred products. Several samples of dry curds, a new ingredient used in paint, were shown.

Rees Palmer's business house was well represented by a toilet room and kitchen fitted out with

all the most modern appliances and everything calculated to make housekeeping comfortable. Souvenirs were also distributed from the float.

The delivery wagons of Dunlap's and Rosenberg's business houses followed next in line, and were gaudily decorated with the National colors.

Then came a band of Leni-Lenape Indians, led by Harry McCormick, and all mounted upon ponies. They were in their war-paint, and presented a rather wild appearance for peaceful Chester county.

An automobile, in which were seated Senator W. P. Snyder, ex-Senator T. V. Cooper and T. L. Eyre, was also a conspicuous feature of the procession.

The ancient and modern methods of transportation, from oxen to electricity, made a curious contrast.

The parade occupied an hour and a half in passing a given point, and was in every respect a greater success than any one had anticipated.



VIRGINIA KIFT, QUEEN OF THE FLOWERS.

### BALLOON ASCENSION.

In the early evening came a balloon ascension and parachute drop by Prof. David McDade, of Atlanta, Ga., who repeated his performance on the following evening. He had a hot air balloon, which, when inflated, was sixty feet in diameter, and stood 120 feet in height. Prof. McDade went up to a height of 4,000 feet, when he cut loose his parachute and descended gracefully. The balloon inverted itself, released the hot air and came down a few moments later.

### EVENING ENTERTAINMENTS.

At eight o'clock the Independent Order of Odd Fellows held a large reception in the Assembly Building, to Esau Loomis, Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania.

During the course of the reception Burgess Talbot made a capital address, and he spoke especially of the debt of gratitude which he owed to the Odd Fellows. At a time last Summer, when much of the influential element in West Chester appeared rather lukewarm towards the celebration, he had seen a circular, the first of many responses, saying that Canton Lancaster was arranging to come and take part in the Centennial exercises. This cheered him so much that he was encouraged to go on and press for the execution of the plans which had been outlined, and which in the end were so successfully carried out.

At U. H. Painter's Opera House a variety show was given under the direction of the Committee on Special Attractions, an exhibition of trained dogs being one of the special features.



ARCH, OPPOSITE HEADQUARTERS OF WEST CHESTER FIRE COMPANY, NO. 1.

# FIREMEN'S DAY.

The maddest, Merriest of the Three Capped the Climax.



COL. A. M'C. HOLDING, CHIEF MARSHAL.

**F**RIDAY, October 13th, was observed as Firemen's Day, the general programme being much like that of Civic Day, with the exception that the firemen, their horses and their apparatus took the place of the military, the home organizations, the secret society men and the floats. The turnout was exceptionally handsome.

This was the route of parade: The line formed on North Church street, facing south, right resting on Market street, and moved down Church to Miner, to Wayne, to Union, to Church, to Miner, to High, to the Normal School, in and around the drive and up High to Nields, to Walnut, to Miner, to High, to Market, to New, to Gay, to High, to Chestnut, to Walnut, to Gay to High, to Biddle, to Church, to Virginia avenue, to New, countermarch to Church, to Gay and dismiss.

Here is the line:

## FIRST DIVISION.

Chief Marshal Colonel A. McC. Holding and Aids, J. Howard Taylor, T. C. Williams, Joseph Leedom, Hugh Joyce, Macey Brooks, Carroll Brinton Jacobs, B. G. Strickland, Captain G. G. Cornwell, Lewis C. Moses, J. Herbert Pratt, Silas Wright, Harry G. Smith, Dr. Percy C. Hoskins, Samuel Marshall, Joseph E. Reagan, James Burns and William J. Corcoran.

Chief of the Fire Department Plummer E. Jefferis; Assistant Chiefs Fred Heed, Howard Hawley and H. C. Reagan.

First Regiment Band, of Philadelphia, 50 pieces. S. H. Kendall, leader; red coats, blue caps and pantaloons.

West Chester Fire Company, No. 1, 80 men. W. W. Woodward, Chief.

Chemical of West Chester Company, No. 1, drawn by four gray horses.

Truck of West Chester Company, No. 1, drawn by four gray horses.

Coonville Fire Brigade Band, No. 4-11-44, of West Chester Fire Company, No. 1. Louis N. Davis, Bandmaster, 15 men.

Fifteen footmen of "Coonville Fire Brigade." Chief's wagon, truck, hose cart, log cabin and hand engine of "Coonville Fire Brigade," 30 men. Chief, Fred Lewis.

Gould's Washington Grays Band, of Philadelphia, 24 pieces.

Volunteer Firemen's Association of Philadelphia, 64 men. Wm. F. Cully, Chief. Gray coats and fire hats, and drawing the old Neptune engine.

Philadelphia Marine Band, 20 pieces, and drum major, Frank Hyde, leader.

Relief Fire Company, of Mt. Holly, N. J., 50 men and six men dressed in Continental uniform. Harry Hawkins, Chief. Drab coats and white fire hats. Hose carriage drawn by members bears date of July 11, 1752.

Churchtown Band, 25 pieces. Arthur Hawk, leader. Brandywine Fire Co., No. 2, of Coatesville, 65 men in regulation cap, blue double breasted sack coat and blue trousers, fine Holloway chemical engine. Chief, Samuel Huston.

Morton Band, 22 pieces. John C. Brannon, leader.

Morton Fire Company, No. 1, 40 men, with red shirts and drawing old truck of West Chester Company, No. 1. Richard Young, Chief; Assistants, W. H. Munch, Stewart McDowell, Alonzo Getz and James Simcox.

McGlinchey Drum Corps, of Phoenixville, 20 pieces. James Cleary, Leader. Drab coats and white pantaloons.

Phoenix Hose, Hook and Ladder Company, of Phoenixville, 50 men. Chief, James Doran. Neatly decorated hose carriage.

Nantmeal Cornet Band, 25 pieces. Prof. Frank Kline, of Birdsboro, Leader.

Alert Fire Company, No. 1, of Downingtown, 50 men, with red shirts, black pants and fatigue caps. Chief, John L. Weldin; Assistants, Samuel A. Black and W. H. Broschard.

Alert Company steamer drawn by four bay horses, in charge of Chief Engineer L. B. Dowlin and Assistant John Knauer.

Volunteer Firemen's Association, of Camden, New Jersey, 12 men in drab coats, fire hats and badges. T. A. Matlack, Chief.

## SECOND DIVISION.

Chief Marshal, Joseph James. Aids, F. S. Hickman, Dr. Joseph Hemphill, Chester P. Martindale and C. H. Martin.

Enterpe Band, Coatesville, 22 pieces. George M. Russell, Leader.

Chief, E. F. Terry; Assistants, Otley Fields and Samuel V. Hughes.

Washington Fire Company, No. 1, of Coatesville, 40 men, in regulation uniforms, drawing their handsome parade carriage of gold, silver and nickel. W. A. P. Thompson, Chief Marshal.

Humane Band, of Royer's Ford, 24 pieces. Charles Minker, Leader. All members of the Fire Company.

Humane Fire Company, of Royer's Ford, 50 men, in long blue coats and white fire hats. John Ruckle, Chief; George Robinson, Foreman.

Washington Drum Corps, of Pottstown, 16 pieces and drum major. Frank Seasholtz, Leader. Wine colored coats and blue pantaloons.

Chief Joseph Horncastle, mounted.

Good Will Fire Company, No. 1, of Pottstown, 40 men, long blue coats and fatigue hats. Sylvester Mismser acting as Chief Marshal.

Hyatt's Military Band, of Wilmington, Delaware, 20 members in olive green uniforms. James A. Everhardt, Leader.

Phoenix Fire Company, of Wilmington, Delaware, 40 men in long blue coats, fire hats and badges. William Thompson, Chief.

Citizens' Band, of Clifton Heights, 32 pieces. Frank Manley, Leader.

Clifton Heights Fire Protective Association, No. 1, 60 men in blue shirts, regulation belts, caps and white neckties, drawing hose carriage and with large dog for mascot. Chief, John Spear; Assistants, John Kane, Daniel Kane and John Aiken.  
Mendelssohn Military Band, of Parkesburg, 28 pieces. Prof. William Harris, of Coatesville. Lead.

Good Will Fire Company, No. 2, of West Chester, 50 men, in regulation uniform. J. Allen Reagan, chief.  
Large dog led by two little boys.  
Good Will hose carriage, drawn by two gray horses.  
Good Will steamer, drawn by four black horses abreast.



FAME FIRE COMPANY.

Parkesburg Fire Company, No. 1, 60 men in new red shirts, blue caps and dark pantaloons, a flag canes. Chief, Clarence Reid; Assistant, M. W. Jackson.

Independent Band, of Jenkintown, 20 pieces and drum major, J. Donnell, Leader.

Pioneer Fire Company, of Jenkintown, 50 men in red shirts, fire hats and white ties, drawing service

## THIRD DIVISION.

Chief Marshal, D. M. Golder; Aids, Jefferson Shaner, Morris W. Hayes and George B. Johnson, Esq.

Media Military Band, 30 pieces. Frank Lee, Leader.  
Media Fire Company, 140 men, in drab coats and hats, with black pantaloons. Chief, C. W. Tuckerman.



FAME AND JUNIORS PASSING EVERHART FOUNTAIN.

carriage. Charles Beauvean, Marshal; Michael Knuff, Chief, and Lewis Beauvean, Assistant.  
Germania Band, of Norristown, 28 pieces; wine colored suits. A. W. Geller, Leader.

Media hose carriage, drawn by two white horses.  
Ringgold Band, of Philadelphia, 40 members in infantry uniform. Thomas Ferguson, Leader.  
Veteran Fire Association, of Philadelphia, 140 men,



in drab suits and white fire hats, drawing the last hand engine made by the late John Agnew. Chief, James Baxter, of the Philadelphia Fire Department; Assistants, J. H. Strunk, Wm. H. Johnson, Wm. Shaw, John Chambers, John Valee, Joseph Edwards, Spring City Band, 28 pieces. John J. Cummings, Leader.

Liberty Fire Company, of Spring City, 60 men in

Malvern Fire and Drum Corps, 12 men, with a colored drum major, T. E. Hoffman, Leader.

Malvern Fire Company, 40 men in blue shirts and caps, drawing hook and ladder truck. Chief, J. Jones Still.

Columbia Fire Company, No. 1, delegation of 15 members, in large light coats and caps. Chief, A. G. Beattie.



"COONVILLE" FIRE BRIGADE.

long blue coats, fatigue hats and regulation belts, drawing hose carriage. Chief, H. T. Hallman.

Twenty citizens of Wilmington, Delaware, with dark clothes and silk hats.

First Regiment Band, of Wilmington, Delaware, 24 pieces. J. Wallsmith, Leader.

Water Witch Fire Company, Wilmington, Delaware, 75 men, red shirts, regulation black overcoats, fire helmets; large Clapp & Jones steamer. Chief, Charles T. Wolhar; Company Marshal, T. L. Reynolds; Assistants, J. S. Pierce and P. J. Lynch; Second Assistant Chief of Department, J. D. Purcell.

Oxford Band, 24 pieces. George F. Collins, Leader. Union Fire Company, No. 1, of Oxford, 50 men, in long coats, fatigue caps and long buff gloves. George E. Jones, Chief; T. D. Alexander, Assistant.

Union Fire Company truck, drawn by two gray horses.

Leading the Fame Company, No. 3, were two carriages. In the first were Mayor Fred H. Keelor, of Williamsport, and John W. Newlin, of Millville, N. J., an old Fame member; in the second were George Ehrenzeller and C. Marshall Ingram, the only two living original members of the company, driven by George A. Mercer, another old member.

House of Refuge Band, 32 boys, from Glen Mills.

Fame Fire Company, No. 3, 100 men. Chief, A. M. Eachus.

Fame Ambulance Corps.

Apparatus of Company.

Third Regiment Drum Corps, 30 pieces. Charles Parmeter, Leader.

Fame, Jr., 30 boys, attired in light caps, shirts and belts, dark trousers and drawing a hand engine belonging to the Philadelphia Volunteers, which was made in 1721.



# ORATION,

As Delivered by Charlton T. Lewis, Ph. D., of New York City.

**F**ELLOW Citizens of West Chester:—The substantial contribution to our knowledge which signalizes this occasion is due to the patient research, the fidelity to truth and the comprehensive and detailed knowledge of our historian, Mr. Gilbert Cope. It would have been indeed a worthy aspiration and a labor of love for me to join him in it, or even to make some addition to the treasures of fact which he has gathered. But invincible circumstances have deprived me of leisure for such a task, and it remains for me to come as a learner, to sit at his feet and at yours, and to hear the honorable history of my native borough, my childhood's home, much of it for the first time.

That it is a story of honor, we rejoice, and each of us feels the manlier and worthier for it. West Chester has always been distinguished by the pride and the love of its citizens for their home, and it is fitting that at this epoch they should bring into clear expression and consign to enduring records the reasons for their pride and love. It is not merely a law of thought that associates places with events and deeds, but the sentiment of locality is one of the profoundest sources and strongest supports of character. It grows steadily in depth and power with the advance of civilization. The higher the culture attained by a people, and the clearer their sense of relation to all mankind and to the world's history, the more do they cherish as hallowed ground each spot once the scene of a great achievement for humanity or of a noble life in its service. Happy the man born and bred in a neighborhood which is crowded with such associations, in which the memories of the past are a perpetual veto upon lower aims, and a stimulus to worthy ambition. No truer service can be done to this community than to gather from the past the traces of our fathers' work, and preserve them for the last ing inspiration of their successors.

Nor is there anything inconsistent with the purest local patriotism in keeping always before our minds the larger relations of our own community with the world around. Indeed, nothing can be fully understood, save as a part of the great whole which includes it. Just as family affection is strongest in the truest lovers of mankind, so our attachment to the spot of the earth we know as home is but the deeper and fuller when it is linked with devotion to our country, and even with the widest interest in the whole field of civilization. Let us then take into mind and heart all that we learn to-day of the rich and fruitful heritage left to the present generation of this community by the faithful labors of those before us; and as they have made the world better for us, let us honor them by striving like them to make it still better for those who are to follow us. And let us remember that their work owes its value and success to the fact that it was part of the work of the world; in the line of the age in which they lived; one wave of that great tide in which the civilization of the nineteenth century has risen above all levels of humanity known or dreamed of before. I shall therefore make no apology for asking you to look at this Centennial in the large light of general history, and

for inquiring briefly into the true nature of the great revolution in the condition of mankind, which has taken place during the century about to close. For this thought is forced upon us by the suggestive coincidence of the world's most wondrous epoch with the existence of the borough of West Chester.

Let me say, then, at once, that the life of the human race for the last hundred years, so far as it has permanent value and a claim to distinction in the summing up of history, has been the growth and spread of one principle, and this is the community of interest, the fellowship of men, the bringing of men together in sympathy, mutual aid, likeness of aim and experience, the destruction of the barriers which parted each from his neighbor. Much as has been said and written of this movement in each of its aspects, it is impossible to impress too strongly on our minds that it is the essential law of our recent civilization. And here, at the jubilee of the people whose private thought and public opinion have always breathed the spirit of liberty and brotherhood, whose happiness and whose honor it has been to keep step with the vanguard of mankind in the march of progress, this truth deserves to be the inspiration of the occasion. To illustrate and apply it worthily is a task far beyond my powers. I can but suggest for your reflection some of the directions in which its rich and varied meanings lie.

An hundred years ago the life of the citizens of this county was one of narrowness, an isolation which only a strong imagination could now picture. The horizon of his daily thoughts scarcely extended beyond that of his eyes. The affairs of his neighbors' families filled the place in conversation now taken by those of European nations. The most stirring event of each week or fortnight was the coming of the post-bag with its possible letter from some kinsman in far-off Philadelphia, and its probable newspaper giving some glimpse of even remote worlds. The man who had seen New York had some claim to special respect, while he who had visited London or Paris was a lion of society and a show in the street. It was then a longer and harder journey to Boston than it now is to Berlin, and Chicago is more readily accessible to us to-day than Philadelphia was to the people around the Turk's Head in 1790. Public conveyances for passengers and goods were unknown, except between a few great cities. The only means of travel was by private vehicles or afoot, and over the country roads of the time there was hardly anything to choose in speed between horse and man. The change in this respect is familiar to us as a formula, but its real meaning and influence are hard to comprehend. It is not merely upon outward relations and the physical conditions of life that the great increase of mobility in the individual has worked changes; not merely the aspect of human society that has been transformed. The new halts and experiences thus produced have profoundly modified the general mind and character. The scientist tells us that when the molecules of iron or rock are at rest, the entire body is cold, hard, unim-

pressionable, and every part obstinately retains its own rugged form: but when they come into rapid motion among themselves, the whole glows with intense heat, and melts into a uniform and plastic mass. The like process is seen in communities, in nations and in mankind.

One of the conspicuous departments of life in which this revolution has accomplished memorable results is the political development of the country. A hundred years ago, momentous questions agitated the minds of our citizens. One was of far-reaching theory, the issue between the national idea and that of federation among sovereign States. It was complicated here, however, by many local and temporary disputes, such as the direct tax imposed by Congress upon land and houses, which had just occasioned armed rebellion in the neighboring counties of Bucks and Lehigh; and the alien and sedition laws, to which the Federal leaders clung blindly until they had made the name of their party a popular by-word and reproach for a generation. The citizens of Chester county were among the first and the most zealous friends of a strong and stable union. It was only when the national policy of Washington seemed to them to degenerate into arrogance and usurpation, in the hands of a violent faction, that they were seemingly alienated from it. But on the 11th day of October, 1799, when President John Adams sat in Trenton, receiving hour by hour the returns from the election of three days before in Pennsylvania, it was the large vote which the farmers of Chester and the neighboring counties had given to the Republican Thomas McKean for Governor that he accepted as the knell of his administration.

Another question of absorbing interest to our people was that of the permanent National Capital. After several years of discussion and against bitter opposition the seat of national government was about to be removed from Philadelphia to a far distant site in the wilderness of the Potomac. It was felt to be a loss to this community that the great council of the Republic and the statesmen in its highest places of authority would henceforth be so far away that very few of our citizens could ever hope to see them. But some consolation for the grievance was found in the privilege, freely offered to all who had money, of giving their savings to the many lotteries, the proceeds of which were to build hotels, shops, halls and schools in the new federal city, and to enrich all their subscribers. In October, 1799, it was known that the session of Congress, then soon to assemble, would be the last in Philadelphia. But it is noteworthy that the Chester county burghers never wavered in their attachment to law, order and union, but ever remained a bulwark against all forms of rebellion and of political discontent. The national sentiment prevailed here with a unanimity and fervor not surpassed in any section of the country.

This sentiment was one of slower and more gradual growth, however, than we easily realize. When this borough was founded, the Constitution had been but ten years at work, and its beneficent character was but beginning to be manifest. Nearly half the people still dreaded the progressive aggrandizement of Federal power, and were jealous of every exercise of it which seemed to subordinate local interests to the vague conception of the general welfare. During the century since, the Constitution itself has remained in substance the same;

the few additions to its text have been but the natural outgrowth of its own spirit, completing its self-interpretation in the light of the principles which it had drawn from the Declaration of Independence. But the political thought and life of the people have been transformed by absorbing these principles and perpetually applying them to new emergencies. The long habit of viewing every public question as one of common concern to the whole country has so welded and compacted the inhabitants scattered over a continent that they have grown into a national consciousness, and the citizens of West Chester are far nearer to-day in feeling and purpose, in memory and hope, to the citizens of Tacoma, Galveston or Bangor than they were a hundred years ago to those of New York or Baltimore.

Upon the distinctly intellectual life of this community a volume of deep interest might be written. From its earliest days, West Chester was a recognized centre of thought, of debate, of instruction. The high tone and the literary excellence of its press were widely known. Its private and public schools had no superiors in the State. In social and family life a standard of intelligence obtained, not easily surpassed elsewhere. Its audiences in the middle years of the century were credited with a critical taste and a broad knowledge of science and literature, before which the foremost lecturers of the land eagerly sought approval. Dr. William Darlington was for many years the centre and head of a scientific circle, which, in the Chester County Cabinet, welcomed and rejoiced in each new discovery of truth in every land. He was among the foremost of his age in promoting scientific botany, and his work on the Flora of our county was the pioneer and model of a large and valuable class of books, stored with accurate descriptions of vegetable life, none of which has surpassed it in authority and usefulness. It was under such influences as this that Bayard Taylor, during his youthful work at the compositor's case, acquired the learning and culture that made him famous in both hemispheres for service equally noble to his country and to literature. It was from amid the same associations that Dr. William Goodell passed into the rank of those whose magnificent achievements in medicine and surgery have alleviated so memorably the pangs and weakness of suffering humanity. It was here, too, that the fine, broad intellect of Dr. Daniel G. Brinton received its first bent towards those researches which have contributed so much to our knowledge of the origins of civilization, and have won lasting honor for his name.

But it is not my task to enumerate the triumphs of our laureled dead, or of those who remain with us, in the realms of thought. I refer to these, and to the just pride which we all take in remembering that it was here their minds and characters were moulded, and those of many others worthy of like honor, in order to bring before us clearly the true mainspring of human progress, the central force of civilization. Just as the best side of life in this community has always been its intellectual activity, just as its real contribution to the aggregate of the world's wealth has been the service done by the minds it has fostered and trained, so it has been everywhere. The transformation of Christendom in the nineteenth century has been the work of the intellect. It is in ideas that humanity has grown rich;

and all other riches in comparison are utterly insignificant. You may imagine that, by some sudden and miraculous catastrophe, the whole mass of material wealth which the past has accumulated were destroyed in a moment, leaving this people nothing but the barest and coarsest means of subsisting through the coming winter. Yet nothing is surer than that, in a short lifetime, the magnificent cities and the smiling farms, the railroads, factories and mines, the schools and hospitals, the banks and exchanges, the public monuments and the comfort and luxury of private houses, would all have reappeared in greater abundance, efficiency and splendor than before. But take away the scientific knowledge by which our industries are made productive, the professional skill which fits our foremost men to teach and guide, the political principles embodied in our institutions, in short, destroy the ideas which are the mental heritage of this generation, and we should soon sink into barbarism. There can be no census of a people's wealth, for it consists essentially of the truth, the scope and the energy of its thinking. What then is the nature of the change which the ideas of men have undergone in the century now ending? I speak not merely of their knowledge, their beliefs, their convictions; not so much of these as of the basis of their thoughts, the fundamental principles assumed by them as fixed and indisputable, under all varieties of opinion; and the methods pursued and the aims sought in all their mental activities.

Here again, as in political life, we meet everywhere the principle of the new era, the master idea of the revolution. The thought which in our century has for the first time been grasped and made familiar and complete, so as to become the centre and inspiration of the intellectual system of the world, is the conception of mankind as a community. It is true that hints of individual insight into the moral grandeur of this idea are found in the literature of classic Greece, in the poets and orators of heathen Rome. It is still more impressively true that the full beauty and power of human brotherhood lay from the first in the divine teachings of the church of Christ. But for eighteen centuries of the Christian era the principle remained a theory, a dream, a fancy, stored in an occasional page of literature, illustrated in an exceptional sermon or life, unfelt and unknown by mankind at large. Even where, as in France, it became the watchword and passionate aspiration of a people, it at once clashed with the whole structure of society, until the new idea and its enemies sank together in blood. Its first expression in the peaceful and permanent organization of a great community was in the American colonies. When they founded their more perfect union, they embodied this principle in their fundamental law. Its framers builded better than they knew, for the central idea of their great work was at war with many details of their own practice. It began with a solemn declaration that it was the voice of the people of the United States; yet down to the end of the century there were not more than one hundred and fifty thousand voters in the whole country, and these representatives of property and family controlled the fate of the four and a half-millions of the people. In many of the States the right of suffrage was limited to landholders; in all of them the man without an estate was hardly more regarded in politics than the beast of burden. The very slaves outnumbered the voters of all the States six to one. Democracy,

in the sense of to-day, was as far from men's thoughts as despotism is now. But the principle of community, of equality, was set forth as the basis of the nation; every word that seemed to conflict with it was excluded from the Constitution, and it was left to work its way into the general thought and life. The history of the last century has been but its gradual assertion of its own meaning and completeness.

But it is not in political life that this conception of human brotherhood has won its only, nor perhaps its greatest victories. It has been the source of our literature. Only a detailed review of the American writers whose works are of enduring merit could fully reveal the extent to which this idea has been their inspiration. Before the Revolution, this continent produced hardly a page of prose or verse, worthy of a place in an English library. The first works of permanent value which it gave to the world were discussions of constitutional law and the rights of citizens. The first great poems were protests against oppression, and hymns of aspiration for universal freedom. The first novel that took the world by storm was a view of slavery by a mind filled with love for mankind. In its literary development, the nation's genius has grown broader and deeper, but its expression everywhere retains the note of that spirit of humanity, that call addressed to the common mind, and bidding it rise to the level of the highest, which first gave eloquence to Hamilton, Lincoln and Sumner, and poetic fire to Whittier and Lowell.

The degree to which the idea has entered the basis of men's thoughts is nowhere more clearly shown than in the universal acceptance of our common school system. Scarcely two generations ago the public conscience felt no more obligation to furnish the mass of children with knowledge and mental training than to supply them with food and clothing. The educated class were the few privileged by birth and wealth to attain the intellectual furniture which should fit them to lead and govern. But the idea of an educated people was the dream of a small party of fanatics. Pennsylvania was one of the first Commonwealths on earth to prepare on a grand scale for full realization of this idea; and West Chester was among the foremost districts of the State in making its common schools so good that they were the privilege of the rich as well as the right of the poor. And now this Pennsylvania idea, nowhere made a practical and beneficent power sooner or more effectively than in our own borough, has gone through the world, and is forming it anew on a nobler plan. Not only the grand republics of England and France have adopted it, and are enlarging and enriching by it the minds of their free citizens to be, but the very despotisms of Central Europe have found themselves forced to make the schools of the people a branch of the work of government, and are thus blindly preparing the sure means of their own overthrow. For among an educated people, the permanent existence of a sovereignty not conferred by them, and not administered in their interests and according to their will, is as impossible as the perpetuation of Mormonism or Witchcraft.

Still more profound has been the effect of this grand thought of universal humanity upon the religious life. Even by tradition, we who had the fortune to be born in this region, know little or nothing of the narrowness, bigotry and self-righteous arrogance which passed for saintliness in many of

the American colonies, and lasted even in several of the States until long after the century began. It is true that even in Pennsylvania until 1776, no man could sit in the Assembly unless he professed his faith in the Trinity and in the inspiration of the Bible. But the elective franchise was never limited here by a creed, and under the wise guidance of Benjamin Franklin all religious tests for public office were abandoned in the year of Independence, so that Jews, Catholics and Deists were under no disability before the law. But in this respect Pennsylvania long stood almost alone. It was, perhaps, the only State in the Union in 1799 in which a Hebrew could hold any office; and except in New York and Maryland the Catholic was equally under ban. As late as till 1835, none but a Protestant Christian, at least by profession, could serve the State of North Carolina in any capacity. Thus the absolute freedom of faith is peculiarly a Pennsylvania principle, and this too is fast making its way around the world.

Nor is it in the laws alone that religious liberty has grown with the sentiment of human brotherhood. In the churches and without them, there has been a progressive amelioration of the relations among men of differing faith. Persecution for conscience sake, even a century ago, was hardly to be found in the crude and violent forms of earlier days; but its spirit lingered in the most enlightened lands. Religious zeal was thought inconsistent with tolerance, and mere questions of words, without relation to conduct or character, sufficed to fill churches, neighborhoods and families with discord. The passing away of this narrowness has been gradual; most rapid during the last twenty years; and now it would be hard anywhere in Christendom, impossible in our own country, to find in the pulpit or the sectarian press more than traces of the bigotry which within living memory was widespread. This change, however, is far more noteworthy in other parts of the country than here. And this is not because our community now lags behind the age in the progress of religious freedom and in broad and liberal sympathy with the love of truth in every form, but rather because it was long ago far in advance of others. It would be hard to name in this or any other country a city or village in which such perfect freedom of religious belief and speech has been enjoyed without interruption for one hundred years as here. Nor has this been for want of piety, religious zeal and the unwearied devotion of believers to their creed. I need only remind you that among the Christian pastors of this people during the last three generations have been Levi Scott, Gregory T. Bedell, Alfred Cookman, William E. Moore and others, who in different branches of the church have become leaders in thought and life, and have left names enrolled with those of apostles and saints.

It is only just to recall in this connection the predominant influence of the Society of Friends among our early settlers and generations of their descendants. Quakerism has sometimes been described as narrow, full of prejudice, fanaticism and bigotry. But of all forms of earnest religions conviction which have made their mark in the world's history, this has been the most completely free from every taint of intolerance. From the first preaching of George Fox until now, the whole body of the Society has been one consistent demand for and proclamation of liberty of conscience. Nor is the testimony of Quakerism to this effect a whit less potent, now that

its fragile organization has been broken into pieces, and that multitudes of its younger members have passed out of the fold. The so-called "hickory Quaker" has been a large element in the permanent citizenship of our county, and while he may have discarded many of the special tenets and observances of his sect, he has very commonly retained and even strengthened the best moral and social characteristics of his fathers. It is to this source that we may largely ascribe, not only the welcome which our people as a whole have always given to advanced and progressive thought in politics, science and literature, but in particular their intense moral earnestness of hostility to every form of slavery, and their large toleration for dissent from even the most cherished traditional beliefs. Many sons of Quakers have so far deserted the principles of their sect as to go to the battlefield and die for their country, but I have yet to hear of one who has ever treated free thought and honest conviction as a crime.

Perhaps the broader humanity of our day shows itself in nothing more impressively than in the dealings of society with the helpless and unfortunate. Public charity, as it now exists, is wholly the growth of the present century. The manner in which the pauper, the aged laborer, the insane, were disposed of in earlier days was in accordance with the crude and cruel spirit of the time. The duty of society to help those who can not help themselves has hardly begun to weigh upon the public conscience three generations ago. The sense that mankind is one, that we are members one of another, has come into the general consciousness, and inspired the grand and effective charities, which more perhaps than any other institutions, characterize the public and social life of our day. The extent to which West Chester has shared in this movement is familiar to you all; and it is needless to refer to the details. But there is one class of the dependents and wards for whose care society has a special responsibility, and which demands notice for many reasons; I mean the outlaws of the community, the men once convicted of crime and consigned to prison walls. At the time our borough was founded the prisons and jails were the disgrace of every nation. In them every species of physical and moral contagion spread without restraint through the mass of inmates. The labors of a few philanthropists did something toward securing reform, but it has remained true till now that the prisons of the world as a whole are the schools and colleges of crime; that they create and train the criminal class, which they are meant to suppress. Everywhere, the first confinement of a youth, even if for a short time and for a trivial offense, is most likely, through the associations and stigma of the jail, to consign him to the ranks of habitual criminals. It is due to this community to say that the prison of Chester county has for fifty years been a conspicuous exception. In cleanliness, in discipline, in the protection of the weak against vile influences, and in the encouragement of such as seek reformation, it has been a model for such institutions, as far as the laws would permit. Yet with all these merits I am persuaded that the prison itself does more harm than good, and that its present form and the laws which make it necessary are among the evils which the next century, in its intelligent zeal for reform, must sweep away.

The first step in this direction has already been taken by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in

the establishment of the Reformatory Prison at Huntingdon. To this prison, as you know, any young man, convicted for the first time of crime, may be sent by the Court, to be detained until the managers regard him as worthy of freedom, but in no case longer than the maximum term imposed by law for his offense. The principle of what is called the indeterminate or reformatory sentence is thus, though in a partial and mutilated form, recognized by the progressive laws of Pennsylvania. It is to this principle that I wish to direct your thoughts as I am convinced that it is destined to work a revolution in the penal laws of all civilized nations, and in the attitude of the State everywhere towards its criminals.

The fact is that our laws for what is called the punishment of crime are a crude device, the outgrowth of ignorant tradition, and without foundation in human nature or the conditions of society. There is no justice, not even a plausible appearance of justice, in the pretended distribution of terms in prison according to the imaginary guilt of the offense. And if the State were omniscient and infallible, it would still be no part of its duty to punish crime. The business of the State is self-protection; the guardianship of civil order and of personal rights. If persons are found who choose to disturb and assail these, who rebel against the order of society and are a danger to their neighbors, the question how to deal with them is one for the wise statesman. The criminal must either be subdued or conciliated. The usual method does neither. It imprisons him for a fixed term, guessed at by the Judge within prescribed limits, which vary widely in different States, and nowhere have any relation to justice or scientific truth, and then releases him, without inquiring into his fitness and commonly after having made him less fit than before. The true principles of criminal jurisprudence require profound study, in the light of large experience; and are but beginning to be embodied in the legislation of the most advanced nations. But the alphabet of the science is simple, and deserves to be proclaimed on this anniversary, in a community renowned for its open mind and humane heart, as the watchword of a coming reform. Let me then commend to you three propositions which I deem incontrovertible, and which I firmly believe, long before a second Centennial jubilee can be celebrated here, will have transformed the criminal law of Pennsylvania, and done more than all the past centuries of penal jurisprudence to eliminate the criminal class from society.

First—Life in prison is at its best unnatural, and unfits men for society. It ought, therefore, to be the last resort in dealing with young offenders. Let no man be imprisoned, unless it is clearly unsafe for society that he be free.

Second—When it is unsafe that a man be free, let him be confined until fit for freedom. There is no other limit which is possible in logic, in social science, nor, therefore, in justice.

Third—Let all the organization and machinery of prisons be directed to the end of fitting inmates for freedom, and of determining when and how far this fitness is attained.

Let these principles be embodied in our laws, and administered fully and fearlessly, and all the experience which has been gained by their fragmentary and incomplete adoption in this and other States justifies the confident belief that the majority of the

young who enter on a career of crime will be saved from it; that large numbers even of those who have become the declared enemies of society will be restored to self-respecting citizenship, and that the small remnant of hopeless criminals will be permanently restrained from injuring the others, and from multiplying their kind. It is eminently fitting that our community should be among the foremost in this, as in many of the chief social reforms of the age.

But time would fail me, even to enumerate the great departments of life and thought in which this vital principle of ever closer association, this gradual approach to human brotherhood, shows its transforming power. It is illustrated on a vast scale by the modern history of labor. Every statesman and every economist finds that the crowning glory of our industrial civilization is the steady improvement of the condition of the people. The test of true prosperity in any age or nation is the degree in which the productive laborer's life is made worth living. When the average workman, by unremitting toil, obtains but a bare subsistence, with no better hope for his children, all boasted evidences of progress are a mockery. But in the supply of material wants, the laborer of to-day regards as necessities what would have been the extreme of luxury to his fathers. This is as it should be. The standard of living rises, as industry becomes more productive. As wealth is multiplied, the satisfactions sought in it become more varied and deeper. But it is not mainly in the increased demand or supply of the needs and comforts of the physical life that the improvement in the world of labor is found. It is in the new relations and associations which have sprung into being, the wider outlook, the higher aims, which come with the sense of membership in the great body of workers, and the habit of common thought and united action. The trades unions, the beneficial societies, the insurance companies, which link together vast masses of laborers, inspiring them with common ideas, interests and hopes, are the product of these recent years, the outgrowth of the leading principle which characterizes the spiritual and mental life of our century. It is through them the workman learns most effectually that life is more than food and raiment and shelter; that these are but the conditions of living, and that all true wealth is of mind and character. The isolation of the individual laborer was ever a clog to progress. To develop his consciousness of a common humanity, first with his class and then with all classes, is the natural and beneficent work of this new era of association. As his views and his sympathies are broadened, in the ever larger horizon of mind and heart thus opened, the dangers and disorders which accompany his entrance into the new life will pass away. Between capital and labor, combined in a civilization like ours, which is built upon human liberty and equal rights, there is no danger of a lasting conflict.

Reflections no less encouraging are suggested by some of the social questions which are beginning to demand prominence in politics. Especially must it be noted that the general and unprecedented tendency of all industrial forces, labor, enterprise and capital, to form ever closer, vaster and more effective combinations, is an absorbing topic of discussion. Superficial observers are alarmed, and try to excite prejudice against such movements by opprobrious names,

such as conspiracies, monopolies and trusts. Demagogues, whose importance depends upon apparent leadership, vociferate loudly that the people are somehow endangered in their rights by such aggregations of power or wealth. But in reality, the phenomenon is but the spirit of the age, the spirit of civilization, the spirit of community, asserting itself in new and completer forms. In an industrial sense, the essential change is an enormous development of the forces of production, the crowning triumph in fruitfulness of the principle of association which economists call the division of labor. Its direct result is the vast increase of the supplies available for the wants of men, with a consequent addition to the average man's means of enjoyment and leisure for improvement. But the essential law of the movement is greater and more profound in its workings than can be measured by its visible products. It means that men everywhere are thinking, feeling and working together as never before; that individual interests and aims are merging more and more in those of associations, masses and communities; that man grows liker and nearer man as the golden year draws on.

These thoughts, I know, seem vague and shadowy to those habituated to narrower views. Their full justification would require a minute discussion of facts and economic laws, far beyond this occasion. But I suggest them as appropriate topics of reflection at an epoch like this, and in full confidence that they will be found, in your candid consideration, to have ample support in experience, and to give rich encouragement in outlook towards the century to come. Our confidence will be strengthened by recalling certain great events of universal history which have signalized recent years; and in particular the marked decline in inveterate animosities between nations, culminating this year in a World's Congress for the sole end of promoting peace, in which our country bore a memorable part.

But there is one caution, of supreme importance, without which this discussion would be not merely, as it is, fragmentary and defective, but misleading. Each of the fields of observation into which we have wandered, whether connected peculiarly with the life of our own little borough, or extending over the broad realms of civilization, has shown us, as the great work of the closing era, that it has begun to appreciate and apply the principle of association, the law of common effort and common life, in directions and with a completeness never attempted before. The future development of this principle promises to be rapid and magnificent, as its vigorous and victorious progress has of late been accelerating and broadening every year. There are thinkers who see in it the key to a coming organization of society under its guidance, in which the community shall take from the individual the direction and management of enterprise and industry, of education and charity; and shape the common life by a pre-determined standard. The dream of Socialism, in each of its many forms, contemplates the usurpation by the many of that initiative and control in the

use of the gifts of nature, which has always been, in the individual freeman, the source of ambition, the inspiration of energy, the support of hope, the root of progress.

Lest, then, the spirit of human brotherhood, the true social spirit, be mistaken for the so-called socialistic spirit, let me say with all emphasis that the two are forever at war. In the real community, each individual cherishes and develops to its utmost utility whatever in him is of peculiar and personal efficiency; supplies thereby the defects and supplements the abilities of his neighbor; and his place in the general economy should be determined by his fitness to fill it. As the limitations of knowledge and of means are overcome, this fitness becomes more and more the guide to his position and work. But no method of socialistic organization has been or can be devised which does not tend to suppress special capacities, and to level down and destroy the exceptional endowments, the individual differences, the mutual complements of resources and power, which are the very life of association and community. The socialistic ideal is essentially the heap of sand, each grain precisely like every other. The ideal of humanity is the pure and perfect organism in which each constituent molecule fills the place which best serves the purpose of the whole.

Far as we are from this ideal, in the public and private life of this and all neighborhoods, in the vast activities of our land, and in the fellowship of nations, yet we rejoice to-day in the progress which has been made towards it, and in the encouraging proofs seen everywhere that this progress has been far greater in the hundred years during which West Chester has existed than in all the epochs of history before; that it is now more rapid than ever; and that this community from its foundation has taken its place, in many lines of thought and action, with the vanguard of the march of humanity. It would be an agreeable task to dwell for a time on the prospect open before us, in view of the promised triumph through the world of the ideas of freedom and peace, of community and human brotherhood, so long cherished here; and in view of the peculiar opportunities and resources which the citizens of West Chester possess for a steady advancement in true prosperity and in beneficent influence. But this must be left to others, and I only add that the broad, historical view of men and events, which such an occasion suggests, is the best remedy against all forms of pessimism, all local and temporary disasters and discouragements, all apprehensions of the growth of evil. For it shows us that where a narrow view inspires fear, the larger eye brings confidence; that where the hour forebodes storm, the century promises an ever brighter day. And to every prophet of ill who stands in the depths of the valley and points out the shadows and the clouds, the watchman on the tower can cry with cheer:

"Care not, while we hear

A trumpet in the distance pealing news  
Of better, and hope, a poising eagle, burns  
Above the unrisen morrow!"



PROMINENT MEN, NOW DECEASED. (See Sketches on opposite page.)



TOWNSEND HAINES.  
NIMROD STRICKLAND.  
JOHN HICKMAN.

ISAAC D. BARNARD.  
ISAAC DARLINGTON.  
ANTOINE BOLMAR.

WM. FREDERICK WYERS.  
REV. JOHN F. PRENLER, M. A. P.  
SANFORD CULVER.



## Townsend Haines.

Townsend Haines (1792-1865), Statesman, Jurist and Poet. Son of Caleb Haines; born in West Chester; attended boarding school of Enoch Lewis, New Garden; taught country school; took active part in debating societies; studied law under Isaac Darlington, Esq.; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1818; married Anna Mary, daughter of Philip and Sarah Derrick; elected to State Legislature 1826; re-elected 1827; was defeated for Congress; became leader of the "Monday Whigs," and editor of the American Star; in 1828, appointed Secretary of the Commonwealth and ex officio Superintendent of Common Schools, 1848; appointed Treasurer of the United States by President Taylor, 1850; always observed the maxim, "early to bed and early to rise," and thus avoided social excesses; elected to the President Judgeship of Fifteenth Judicial District of Pennsylvania, composed of counties of Chester and Delaware, 1851; wrote various verses at odd times during his life.

## Nimrod Strickland.

Nimrod Strickland (1807-1889), Journalist and Politician. Born in West Vincent; came into prominence in early manhood as a successful Democratic politician and was known throughout the State; appointed Recorder of Deeds by Governor Wolf, 1830-33; Register of Wills under same, 1832-36; married Margaret McCullough, 1837; clerk in Treasury Department of United States; Associate Judge in Chester county, 1848-51; Canal Commissioner; Warden of Eastern Penitentiary, 1854-55; editor of American Republican; co-editor of Pennsylvanian with Dr. Morwitz; forty-six years a member of Baptist Church; belonged to Odd Fellows, which Order cared for him during his declining days; was genial in manner and kind to all.

## John Hickman.

John Hickman (1810-1875), Orator and Statesman. Born in Pocopson, on Brag Hill, now owned by William B. Fritchett, Esq.; studied under a tutor who was a graduate of University of Edinburgh; took a partial course in medicine; took up this pursuit on account of the unpleasantness of the dissecting room; read law under Townsend Haines; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1832; delegate to National Democratic Convention which nominated James K. Polk for President, in 1844; appointed District Attorney, 1845, and again in 1849; elected to Thirty-fourth Congress of United States, 1854; re-elected 1856, 1858 and 1860; charming and winning as a public speaker; gave this Congressional District a National reputation; was made the subject of bitter taunts and threats from Southern leaders; introduced measures which were of great importance; declined renomination; consented to become a candidate for Legislature, 1868; was elected, but declined a second term; first wife was Miss Eunice Phelps, of Guilford, Vt., and second was Mrs. Mary A. Love, nee Brown.

## Isaac Darlington.

Isaac Darlington, Jurist. Born in Westtown, Dec. 13, 1781; worked at farming and blacksmithing with his father, Abraham Darlington, in Thornbury, near Birmingham Meeting; taught country schools; studied law under Joseph Hemphill, the elder; admitted to Chester County Bar in 1801, before he was 20 years of age; elected to State Legislature in 1807, 1808 and at a special election in 1816; served as adjutant of Second Regiment, P. V., in War of 1812; elected to Congress in 1816; appointed Deputy Attorney General for Chester county in 1820; was married twice, first to Miss Mary Peters and later to Miss Rebecca Fairbank; died April 27, 1829; left no descendants; was an intensely hard worker in his youth, and possessed of a vigorous constitution and fine physique, which facts accounted for much of his success in after life, and enabled him to outstrip others who were naturally as bright, but who neglected their opportunities.

## Antoine Bolmar.

Jean Claude Antoine Brumid de Bolmar (1797-1861), Educator. Born in Bourbon Lancy, France; studied in Imperial Lyceum of Clermont-Ferrand; studied silk industry in Lyons, 1816; enlisted in Sixth Regiment of Hussars, 1819; served in war against Spain, with rank of Quartermaster, 1822; traveled in Switzerland, England, Scotland; emigrated to Philadelphia, 1828; translated and compiled school books; located in West Chester, 1832; took charge of West Chester Academy, 1834; bought academy on Maple Avenue, now Convict of Immaculate Heart, 1840; visited native country, 1853; public spirited citizen and fine instructor; made the town celebrated for its schools, and attracted many students from foreign countries, and paved the way for greater triumphs for his successors in the educational world.

## Isaac D. Barnard.

Isaac D. Barnard (1791-1834), Soldier and Statesman. Born at Chester; studied law under William Graham, Esq.; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1816; had previously served in War of 1812, where he distinguished himself for bravery and attained the rank of Major; Deputy Sheriff under Cromwell Pearce; Deputy Attorney General for Chester county four years; elected to Senate of Pennsylvania, 1820; organized "Republican Artillerists;" was instrumental in securing monuments and grounds on Paoli field; married Harriet, eldest daughter of Judge Isaac Darlington; declined appointment as President Judge of judicial district composed of Lancaster and Dauphin counties; elected Major General of Third Division of Pennsylvania Militia; appointed Secretary of the Commonwealth, 1826; elected to Senate of United States, where he served until 1831; body first interred in Friends' Burying Ground, North High street, and twenty years later removed to Oaklands Cemetery and reinterred with Mary A. Brown, nee Love.

## Wm. Frederick Wyers.

William Frederick Wyers, A. M., Ph. D. (1812-1871), Educator. Son of a Lutheran minister in Hanover, Germany; well educated at universities of Heidelberg and Leipsic; acted as tutor in the family of a nobleman; inspired by the love of liberty, he wrote an article which was published in an obscure German paper, but was thought to reflect upon the Government; was notified by the authorities to leave his native country in twenty-four hours; sailed for America, from a French port; landed in Baltimore, Md., almost penniless, in 1842; found employment as a laborer in the chrome mines of West Nottingham; showed a strong inclination to study higher English; was made a teacher in the academy at New London; promoted to Principal of same in 1846; married Miss Mary Murphy, Philadelphia, 1850; accepted position as teacher in Mr. Bolmar's School, West Chester, 1853; chosen Principal of same School, West Chester Academy, 1855; purchased Bolmar's Academy, now Villa Maria, 1865; was elected President of the State Teachers' Association, 1866; many years a Ruling Elder in First Presbyterian Church.

## Rev. John M. Prendergast.

Rev. John Francis Prendergast, "Father John." Pastor of Christ's Roman Catholic Church, now St. Agnes', from his ordination in 1851 to his death in 1871, parishes including Downingtown, Doe Run and Parkesburg, in Chester county, and Drumore, in Lancaster county; built church at Downingtown, 1851; established Catholic Cemetery at Oaklands, 1854, where his remains lie buried; erected St. Agnes' Church, 1852, and spire in 1856; erected church at Parkesburg, 1854; organized two Sodalties, 1857; encouraged patriotism during the Civil War by ceremonies at flag raising in front of church; marched at head of 97th Regiment, P. V., through the town, accompanied by Rev. Dr. William E. Moore, pastor of First Presbyterian Church; fondly loved by all citizens, without regard to sect or creed.

## Sanford Culver.

Sanford Culver, Instructor. Born in New England; taught in the State of Delaware; came to West Chester in 1848 and remained here twelve years as Principal of the Public Schools; was devoted to his work, and popular among his pupils; was a licensed preacher in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and frequently spoke at religious meetings; served as Superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Sunday School during the greater part of his residence in West Chester; was twice married, his first wife dying while he was teaching here; removed to Millville, N. J., where he had been elected Principal of the Public Schools; died in 1887, survived by second wife; was so much admired by the pupils and citizens that when he severed his connection with the schools, meetings were held in the Court House and torchlight processions occurred on the street in his honor.

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GEORGE A. M'CALL.  
WASHINGTON TOWNSEND.  
JAMES BOWEN EVERHART.

ADDISON MAY.  
ISAAC I. HAYES.  
HENRY CLAY NIELDS.

ROBERT E. MONAGHAN.  
WILLIAM D. HARTMAN.  
WILMER WORTHINGTON.

## George A. McCall.

George A. McCall, Soldier. Served in Regular Army, where he attained to the rank of Major; came to West Goshen and purchased a country seat in the suburbs of West Chester; tendered services to the State and was appointed by Governor Curtin a Major General of Volunteers; took command of Pennsylvania Reserve Corps; when Corps was tendered to Government, he was made Brigadier General of Volunteers by President Lincoln, 1861; resigned, 1863; died and was buried at Christ Church, Philadelphia; grave decorated annually by members of the General George A. McCall Post, No. 31, G. A. R., of West Chester, which organization was named in his honor.

## Washington Townsend.

Washington Townsend (1812-1894), Attorney, Statesman, Financier. Eldest son of David and Rebecca Sharpless Townsend; studied under Jonathan Gause and Joseph Strode at old West Chester Academy; appointed second teller of National Bank of Chester County in 1831; studied law under William Darlington, Esq., and admitted to Chester County Bar 1844; cashier of National Bank of Chester County 1849 to 1857; President of same 1879 to 1894; delegate to Whig National Convention, at Baltimore, 1852; also to Republican National Convention, at Chicago, 1868; served eight years in Congress of the United States, 1868 to 1876; advocated protection to American industries; upheld national banking system; favored improved Indian policy; was of literary tastes and high Christian character; devoted latter days to the practice of law, which he continued up to the year of his death; kept in touch with the political situation, and favored the purity of the ballot, saying a word in its favor whenever the opportunity offered.

## James B. Everhart.

James Bowen Everhart, Orator, Statesman, Patriot. Born in West Whiteland, July 26, 1821; son of William and Hannah Everhart; secured early education at Bolmar's Academy; was graduated from Princeton College, 1842; studied law in West Chester and at Cambridge Law School; admitted to Chester County Bar in 1845; raised and commanded Company B, 10th Regiment Pennsylvania Militia during Civil War; served as Major 29th emergency regiment; was State Senator 1876 to 1882; delivered eulogies on Bayard Taylor, William Penn and Anthony Wayne; elected in 1882 to 48th Congress of United States; re-elected in 1884; wrote numerous books, poems and miscellanies; died August 23, 1888; referred to as "the courtly poet scholar," on account of the refinement of his conversation and writings; brothers and sister still reside on West Miner street, and the family is widely known on account of wealth and open-handed charity.

## Addison May.

Addison May (1811-1892), Attorney and Philanthropist. Youngest son of Robert and Ruth (Potts) May, South Coventry; lost father by death when one year old and mother at age of seven, and was reared by eldest sister, the wife of Governor Stephens, of Maryland; graduated from Jefferson College, Cannonsburg, Pa.; studied law under William H. Dillingham, Esq.; admitted to Chester County Bar in 1835; practiced in Erie, Norristown and West Chester; married Elizabeth, daughter of Hon. Samuel and Martha Bell Shafer; served as School Director; Trustee of West Chester State Normal School; Trustee of State Hospital for the Insane at Norristown; President of West Chester Trust and Relief Society; Inspector of the Chester County Prison; Vestryman in Church of the Holy Trinity; was kind and courteous in manner, and a fine Latin scholar.

## Robert E. Monaghan.

Robert Emmett Monaghan, Attorney and Statesman. Born in West Fallowfield, 1822; died, West Chester, 1895; studied under Jonathan Gause at Unionville, with Bayard Taylor; read law at Harrisburg; served in Legislature; presided at Democratic State Conventions; delegate to Democratic National Convention, 1876; member of Commission to determine boundary line between Pennsylvania and Delaware, 1890; was always interested in education, and for twelve years was a member of the Board of Trustees of West Chester State Normal School; in 1854 was Chairman of Educational Committee in House of Representatives at Harrisburg, when law providing for establishment of County Superintendency was enacted; he in House and Henry S. Evans, also a Chester countian, in Senate, were largely responsible for the success of the measure.

## Isaac I. Hayes.

Dr. Isaac I. Hayes, deceased son of Benjamin Hayes, the oldest citizen of West Chester. Sailed for the frozen north with Dr. Elisha Kent Kane, May 28, 1853; returned, October, 1855; conducted a similar expedition, 1859-61; reached a point nearer the North Pole than any previous explorer; received gold medals from various societies and wrote extensively regarding his explorations; at breaking out of Rebellion, he entered service as a brigade surgeon and afterward became a surgeon of the United States Volunteers, with rank of Major and brevet rank of Colonel; built and commanded until close of war the army hospital in West Philadelphia, capable of accommodating 4,000 patients; was elected to Assembly of New York in 1876 and served until 1879, holding place on important committees; wrote "The Open Polar Sea," "An Arctic Boat Journey," "Cast Away in the Cold," and other works.

## Henry Clay Nields.

Henry Clay Nields (1839-1889), Naval Hero. Shipped in youth as a seaman in the merchant marine and became a mate; entered navy in 1853; promoted for bravery in Mobile Bay, 1864; the monitor Teacuseb, having been blown up by a torpedo, all on board were lost with the exception of five, who were saved by him, then an Ensign; he lowered boat and rowed to the rescue; enemy was so much moved by his gallant act that guns were raised and fired over his head; complimented in general orders and promoted by Admiral Farragut; was Lieutenant Commander and in active service at time of death; married Rebecca P., daughter of Samuel S. Heed; traveled in almost all parts of the world; well educated, and wrote and spoke entertainingly of his experiences.

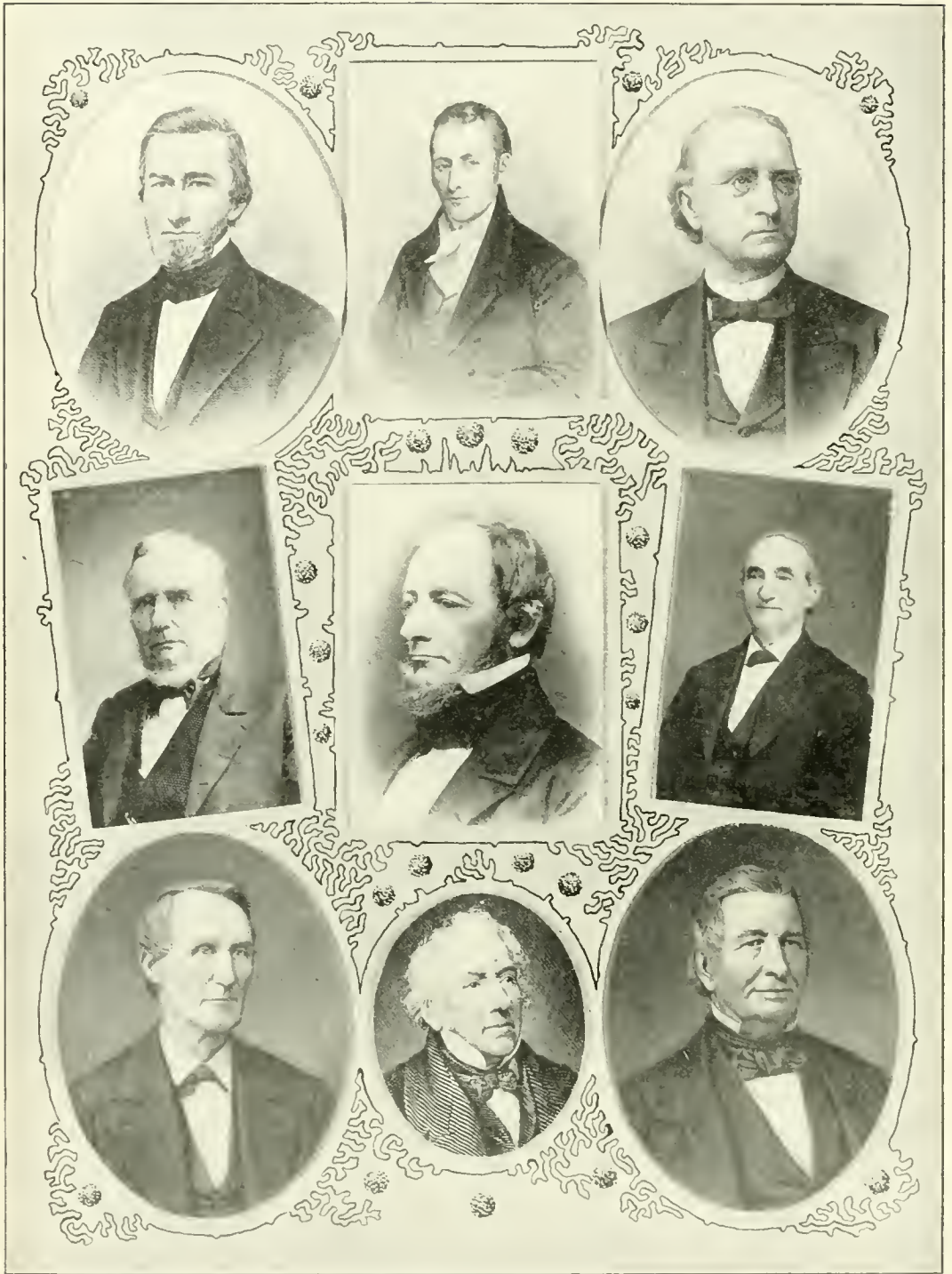
## Wm. D. Hartman.

William D. Hartman, M. D., Scientist. Born in East Pikeland, 1817; died in West Chester, 1899; graduated University of Pennsylvania, 1839; over forty years corresponded with noted scientists in Europe; was quoted by Darwin on the Cicada or seventeen-year locust, in Darwin's "Descent of Man," author of "Conchologica Cestrica," describing the shells of this section; in latter years paid much attention to insect life, and was fond of contributing to the Local News, in which many accounts of his observations in natural history appeared. Within a few weeks of his death he wrote several communications which were read with interest by the scientists.

## Wilmer Worthington.

Wilmer Worthington (1804-1873), Physician and Statesman. Born in West Goshen; educated in common schools and West Chester Academy; studied medicine under Dr. William Darlington; was graduated from University of Pennsylvania, 1825; located in Byberry township, Philadelphia, but returned to West Chester at the end of six months; married Elizabeth, daughter of William Hemphill, Esq., 1826; physician at the Lazaretto, 1829-1842; one of the founders of Chester County Medical Society, and of American Medical Association; President of State Society, 1850, 1863 to 1866; director in National Bank of Chester County and in West Chester and Philadelphia Railroad Company; President of Board of Managers of Oakland Cemetery Company; elected to State House of Representatives, 1833; influential in securing passage of school law, 1834; elected to State Senate, in 1863; re-elected 1866; President of Senate, 1866; member of State Board of Charities until 1873; of the highest character, and held a place in the warmest affections of the people.

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JOSEPH HEMPHILL.  
JOSEPH J. LEWIS.  
WILLIAM DARLINGTON.

CHARLES MINER.  
THOMAS S. BELL.  
DAVID TOWNSEND.

J. SMITH FUTHEY.  
EUSEBIUS H. TOWNSEND.  
WILLIAM EVERHART.

## Joseph Hemphill.

Joseph Hemphill (1807-1870), Attorney. Son of William and Ann (McClellan) Hemphill; born in West Chester; studied under Jonathan Gause and Joshua Hoopes, two celebrated teachers of the town, and James W. Robins, of Lenox, Mass.; read law with his brother-in-law, Hon. Thomas S. Bell; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1829; Deputy Attorney General, 1839 to 1845; nominated for President Judge of judicial district composed of Chester and Delaware counties, 1861; well qualified for position, but could not overcome strong Republican majority; served as bank director; married Catherine Elizabeth Dallett, Philadelphia; surviving children: Joseph Hemphill, President Judge of the Courts of Chester county; Elijah Dallett Hemphill, of West Chester, and three daughters; remembered as a man of unusual ability and integrity.

## Charles Miner.

Charles Miner (1789-1865), Journalist and Statesman. Born at Norwich, Conn., of Puritan stock; moved as a Connecticut claimant to Wyoming Valley, Pa., in 1809; assisted his brother, Asher Miner, with the Luzerne Federalist; elected member of the Legislature from Luzerne county, 1807, 1808 and 1816; edited the True American, Philadelphia, 1816; moved to West Chester and purchased Chester and Delaware Federalist, 1817; changed name of paper to Village Record; Member of Congress from Chester county, 1825 to 1829; opposed slavery; encouraged the silk growing industry; was personal friend of Henry Clay, Secretary of State; owned "Spring Grove" farm, now the home of Dr. Jacob Price; wrote History of Wyoming; his biographer describes him as "in youth and age a perfect gentleman, a true type of what is termed a gentleman of the old school. He was a model journalist and statesman, and the father of a school of sound thinkers."

## J. Smith Futhey.

J. Smith Futhey, Jurist and Author. Son of Hon. Robert and Margaret (Parkinson) Futhey, of West Fallowfield; received good education; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1843; practiced successfully; appointed President Judge of Chester County Courts, to fill out unexpired term of Judge William Butler, 1879; elected to same position for ten years, in same year; died while on the bench, "a man in whom the law and letters blend;" wrote "History of Chester County," with assistance of Gilbert Cope; left record for ability and integrity. His history is regarded as one of the most valuable works ever produced within the county, and it is only just to say that much of the data found on the pages of this volume have been reproduced therefrom. His life is often held up as an example to the young, a model of the achievements of untiring industry.

## Joseph J. Lewis.

Joseph J. Lewis, Barrister. Born in Westtown, 1801; died in 1883; was educated under Jonathan Gause, and taught school; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1825; appointed District Attorney, 1835 and 1837; became a leader in his profession; traveled extensively in Europe; was Commissioner of Internal Revenue under President Lincoln; inherited much ability from his father, Enoch Lewis, who was an instructor for many years and prominent as a mathematician. Enoch was widely known as a Friend, and wrote much in the interests of Abolition. The son had charge of Chester County Academy, near Frazer, in 1821, but came to West Chester in 1822, to teach under Jonathan Gause. His sister, Miss Alice Lewis, who still resides in West Chester, was for many years connected with the Public Library, and is now active in the W. C. T. U.

## Thomas S. Bell.

Thomas S. Bell (1800-1861), Jurist. Born in Philadelphia; admitted to bar of that city, 1821; removed to West Chester, a stranger, in same year; by abilities and talent as an elocutionist, gained position among the attorneys here; Deputy Attorney General for Chester county, 1823-28; member of convention to revise State Constitution, as delegate from the Senatorial District of Chester and Montgomery counties, 1837; returned as Senator from same district in following year, but owing to alleged errors in election returns, his seat was given to Nathaniel Brooke; one of visitors to West Point Military Academy and served on important committees, 1829; appointed to succeed Judge Darlington as President Judge of the judicial district composed of Chester and Delaware counties, 1839; served until 1846; Judge of Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, 1846-51; President Judge of Judicial District composed of Wayne, Pike, Carbon and Monroe counties, 1855; State Senator from Chester and Delaware counties, 1858, 1859, 1860; was twice married, first to Caroline, a daughter of Judge Darlington; afterward to Keziah, a daughter of William Hemphill, Esq.

## Eusebius H. Townsend.

Eusebius H. Townsend (1817-1889), Merchant and General Business Man. Born in West Chester; son of Joseph and Sarah Townsend; Director of Bank of Chester County, and was continued after this became a National Bank, serving constantly from 1861 until death; conducted dry goods store in a way which was considered most upright and proper; attended Orthodox Friends' Meeting; connected with West Chester Trust and Relief Society; of exemplary habits; survived by two children, Mira, wife of George Achelis, West Chester, and William B. Townsend, of Pottsville.

## William Darlington.

William Darlington (1804-1879), Attorney. Youngest son of Abraham and Susanna Darlington, and brother of Judge Isaac Darlington, under whom he studied law; educated at common schools and by self culture, which gave him ease and grace in the practice of his profession; admitted to Chester County Bar, 1826; attained to prominence in the courts of Eastern Pennsylvania, and in the Supreme Court of the State; frequently engaged in District Court of United States, and was member of United States Supreme Court; elected a member of State Convention to remodel Constitution in 1837 and again in 1873; Deputy Attorney General for Chester County, 1835 to 1838; traveled in Europe and attended World's Fair, 1857; a great student, and of fine literary tastes; married Catherine Paxson, 1829; surviving children—William H., of Washington; Stephen P., Isabella, wife of Auditor General L. G. McCauley; Catherine Mary, wife of Jerome B. Gray.

## David Townsend.

David Townsend (1787-1878), Botanist. Born at Pughtown; 1810, appointed clerk in office of Register and Recorder of Chester county; 1813, elected Commissioner of Chester county; 1814, one of original Directors of National Bank of Chester County; 1817 to 1849, Cashier of National Bank of Chester County; 1821, chosen Trustee of West Chester Academy; 1827, appointed Prothonotary of Chester county; 1826, one of the founders of the Chester County Cabinet of Natural Sciences; 1833, a genus of plants allied to the Asters was named Townsendia in his honor; 1835-36, directed the erection of a new banking house, in which he was cashier; corresponded extensively with botanists in Europe and America; died at his home; buried in Oaklands Cemetery.

## William Everhart.

William Everhart, Merchant, Statesman, Philanthropist. Born in West Vincent May 17, 1785; taught and practiced surveying; conducted mercantile business in Tredyffrin; moved to Pughtown; bought farm in West Whiteland, adjoining "Foot" farm, and erected dwelling and store thereon; married granddaughter of Isaiah Matlack, who owned much land in West Chester; raised rifle company of 80 picked men for service in War of 1812, but was not called to the front; sailed for England in 1822 in packet ship Albion; and wrecked off coast of Ireland; only cabin passenger saved; bought Wollerton farm in West Chester and divided it into lots; erected present Mansion House and perhaps 100 other buildings in the town; elected to thirty-third Congress of United States in 1852; prominent as an Abolitionist; unswerving in his religion; gave liberally to the needy; loved by all who knew him;

# WEST CHESTER AS A COUNTY SEAT.

Its Early History Carefully Traced and Coupled Up with That of To-Day.

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CHESTER COUNTY may claim priority over the other counties of this Commonwealth, in that, as originally constituted, it contained the seat of justice for the whole province, prior to the charter to William Penn. The records of the Court held at Upland commence in 1676, and with the arrival of William Penn, in 1682, the name was changed from Upland to Chester, and this continued to be the county seat of Chester county for more than a century. With the progress of settlements in the western part of the county, and the increase of population, the inconvenience of having the county seat at the extreme southeastern corner of the county became more and more felt. At length, on January 28, 1766, a petition was addressed to the Assembly, asking for an act to erect a court house, and for the holding of the courts as near the centre of the county as might be. Other petitions and counter petitions were addressed to that body, but nothing was accomplished at this time, and in the coming years the thoughts of the people were much occupied with the incidents leading to the War of the Revolution.

In 1779 the subject was again agitated, and at

length, in the following year, an act was passed by which certain trustees were appointed to purchase ground and erect the necessary buildings. These obtained a lot in the present borough of Downingtown, from Rosanna Sheward, but for some reasons made no further proceedings toward carrying out the purpose of their appointment. The county seat having been subsequently fixed in 1784 at the present location, the sale of the lot in Downingtown was authorized by an act of Assembly, passed March 3, 1788.

While the following details of the legislation on the subject may be thought tedious, yet it seems desirable at this time to gather up full particulars of the establishment of our seat of justice.

## JOURNAL OF THE ASSEMBLY, 1779.

Feb. 20. A petition from six hundred and sixty of the inhabitants of Chester county, setting forth the inconveniences attending the seat of justice remaining at the extreme end of the county, and praying the house to pass an act for removing it to a more central part thereof, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

April 1. The petition of a number of inhabitants of the county of Chester, praying that the seat of justice may be removed to a more central part of the county, was read the second time, and thereupon

Resolved, That the further consideration of the said petition be postponed until the twelfth day after the next meeting of the general assembly, and the clerk of this house is enjoined to publish this resolve in the public newspapers of this city, for the information of all persons concerned.

Sept. 16. Agreeable to an order of the last sitting of this house, a number of petitions from the county of Chester, praying that the seat of justice may be removed to a more central part of the county, were read again, and considered, and thereupon it was ordered that the representatives of the said county bring in a bill agreeable to the prayer of the said petitions.

Sept. 17. Agreeable to leave given the representatives for the county of Chester, brought in a bill intitled "An act to enable to build a new courthouse and prison in the county of Chester, and sell their old courthouse and prison in the borough of Chester," which was read the first time and ordered to lie on the table for consideration and a second reading.

Sept. 25. The bill intitled "An act to enable William Clingan, esquire, Peter Hartman, John Kinkead, Thomas Heslop and William Brooks, gentlemen, to build a new courthouse and prison in the county of Chester, and sell the old courthouse and prison in the borough of Chester," was read the second time, and being debated by paragraphs, was ordered to be transcribed for a third reading, and in the meantime printed for public consideration.

Oct. 2. A remonstrance from eighteen of the inhabitants of Chester county, against the bill for removing the courts of justice to a more central

part of the county, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

A petition from one hundred and fifty-six inhabitants of the county of Chester, praying that the seat of justice may be removed to a central part of the county, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Oct. 10. Resolved, That the following bills be, and they are hereby recommended to the attention of the next general assembly, at their first sitting, viz. 3d "An act to enable William Clingan, esquire, Peter Hartman, John Kinkead, Thomas Heslop and William Brooks, gentlemen, to build a new court house and prison in the county of Chester, and sell the old court house and prison in the borough of Chester."

Nov. 25. The bill for removing the court of justice, in Chester county, to a more central part of the said county, published for consideration by the late house of assembly, and by them recommended to this house, together with sundry petitions, for and against the said bill, were read, whereupon

Resolved, That this house will, on the third Wednesday after their next meeting, hear the parties interested, and if any persons have any objection they are to appear on said day, and shew cause why the same should not be enacted into a law; And the clerk of this house is ordered to publish this resolution in the news-papers of this city.

1780, Feb. 2. Agreeable to the order of the day, the house took up the bill for the removal of Chester court-house.

A petition from forty-two of the inhabitants of Chester county, praying that the bill printed for consideration, by the late house of assembly, for removing the courts of justice to a central part of the said county, may be passed into a law, was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Sundry petitions signed by six hundred and thirty-four of the inhabitants of the county of Chester, praying that the courts of justice may not be removed from the borough of Chester as proposed by the bill for that purpose published for consideration, by the late house of assembly, was read, and ordered to lie on the table. But some objection being made to the authenticity of divers of the names subscribed to the said petitions, the same were referred to the members of the county of Chester, to give their several opinions thereon.

Feb. 3. On re-considering of the minute of November the twenty third, it appeared, that the day therein appointed for entering on the bill for the removal of the courthouse in the county of Chester, might be understood to be Wednesday next, as some might include, and others exclude the first Wednesday on which the present sitting met, therefore.

Resolved, That the farther consideration be referred till next Wednesday.

Feb. 9. Agreeable to the order of the day, the house took up the consideration of the bill for the removal of the courts of justice, in the county of Chester, and the several petitions for and against the same, the names thereto being counted, there appeared for the removal 529; against it 437. And the bill being read the second time, and debated by paragraphs, was ordered to be transcribed for the third reading, and in the mean time printed for consideration.

March 7. Sundry petitions signed by 159 inhabitants of Chester county, praying the bill for remov-

ing the courts of justice of that county, may pass into a law, were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Sundry petitions signed by 150 inhabitants of Chester county, against the removal of the said courts of justice, were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

March 14. The bill entitled, "An act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and John Davis, to build a new court house and prison, in the county of Chester, and to sell the old court-house and prison in the borough of Chester," was read the third time, and being debated by paragraphs, was ordered to be engrossed in order to be enacted into a law.

The yeas and nays being called for, are as follows:

| Yeas.                    |                         | Yeas. |  |
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| 1. William Hollingshead, | 23. James Dixon,        |       |  |
| 2. Jacob Seifriede,      | 24. Matthew Dill,       |       |  |
| 3. Michael Sabert,       | 25. John Orr,           |       |  |
| 4. Charles W. Peale,     | 26. David Kennedy,      |       |  |
| 5. Robert Knox,          | 27. Jonathan Hoze,      |       |  |
| 6. Samuel Mechin,        | 28. Abraham Smith,      |       |  |
| 7. Gerardus Wynkoop,     | 29. William Harris,     |       |  |
| 8. Benjamin Fell,        | 30. Frederick Watts,    |       |  |
| 9. William Scott,        | 31. Ephraim Steel,      |       |  |
| 10. David Thomas,        | 32. Valentine Eckart,   |       |  |
| 11. James Boyd,          | 33. Christian Lower,    |       |  |
| 12. Patrick Anderson,    | 34. Jonathan Jones,     |       |  |
| 13. Joseph Parke,        | 35. Peter Rhoads,       |       |  |
| 14. John Harris,         | 36. John Ralston,       |       |  |
| 15. James Anderson,      | 37. Christopher Wagner, |       |  |
| 16. John Smiley,         | 38. John Burd,          |       |  |
| 17. John Gilchrist,      | 39. Joseph Powell,      |       |  |
| 18. Christopher Kucher,  | 40. Robert Martin,      |       |  |
| 19. James Cunningham,    | 41. William Montgomery, |       |  |
| 20. William Porter,      | 42. John Proctor,       |       |  |
| 21. James Jacks,         | 43. Isaac Mason,        |       |  |
| 22. John Whitehill,      |                         |       |  |
| Nays.                    |                         | Nays. |  |
| 1. Joseph McClean,       | 8. Henry Hayes,         |       |  |
| 2. Edward Heston,        | 9. John Fulton,         |       |  |
| 3. William Coates,       | 10. Sketchly Morton,    |       |  |
| 4. Daniel Heester,       | 11. William Brown, Jr., |       |  |
| 5. Joseph Bl-weer,       | 12. David Dunwoody,     |       |  |
| 6. Arthur Watts,         | 13. John Van Campen,    |       |  |
| 7. Joseph Savage,        |                         |       |  |

(Of the Chester county members David Thomas, James Boyd, Patrick Anderson, Joseph Parke and William Harris appear to have voted for, and John Fulton, Henry Hayes and Sketchly Morton, against the bill.)

March 20. The bill intitled, "An act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis to build a new court house and prison in the county of Chester, and to sell the old court house and prison in the borough of Chester," was brought in engrossed, and being compared at the table, was enacted into a law, and the speaker directed to sign the same.

#### THE ACT PROVIDING FOR REMOVAL OF COUNTY SEAT.

The following is the text of the Act.

Whereas it has been represented to this House, that the holding of the Courts of General Quarter Sessions of the Peace, Common Pleas, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, for the county of Chester, in the borough of Chester, is very inconvenient and burthensome to a great part of the inhabitants of the said county, as the situation of said borough is at the extreme corner of said county; and that it would be very commodious, and much for the advantage of the inhabitants in general, if the several courts were held at a more central part of said county.

It Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted, That it shall and may be lawful to and for the said William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis, or

any four or more of them, to purchase and take assurance to them, and their heirs, of a piece of land, situate in some convenient place of the said county, in trust and for the use of said county, and thereon to build and erect or cause to be built and erected, a court-house and prison, sufficient to accommodate the public service of the said county, and for the ease and convenience of the said inhabitants.

III. And be it enacted, That when the said court-house and prison shall be erected as aforesaid, that from thenceforth the several Courts of General Quarter Sessions, Common Pleas, Nisi Prius, Oyer and Terminer and General Gaol Delivery, for the said county, shall be holden and kept at the said court-house, when the same is built and erected in the place so to be provided as aforesaid.

IV. And be it further enacted, That it shall and may be lawful that the said William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis, or any four or more of them, shall have full power to expose to sale, by public vendue, to the highest bidder, the old court-house, prison and work-house, with all and singular the appurtenances and hereditaments thereunto belonging, situate in the borough of Chester aforesaid, and to give assurances to the heirs and assigns of the purchaser or purchasers for ever; and the monies therefrom arising shall be appropriated towards paying for the lands to be purchased, and the new court-house and prison to be built in the said place, so as aforesaid to be provided.

V. And be it further enacted, That for the defraying the remainder of the expences and charge of purchasing the land, building and erecting the said court-house and prison, it shall and may be lawful for the commissioners and assessors of said county, or a majority of them, to assess and levy so much money as the said Trustees, or any four of them, shall judge necessary for paying the remainder aforesaid, of purchasing the land and finishing the said court-house and prison, and they are hereby required so to do. —Recorded in Law Book, vol. I, page 253.

#### DIFFICULTY IN GETTING COMMISSIONERS TO ACT.

In Assembly, Feb. 12, 1784:

A petition from sundry inhabitants of Chester county was read, setting forth that the persons appointed by act of Assembly, passed in March, 1780, to dispose of the court house, jail and work house, in the borough of Chester, and to purchase a piece of ground in some convenient place, more central, for holding of courts, &c., living at a great distance from each other, makes it difficult to get a sufficient number of them together to act, more especially as some of them have refused to take the trust upon them; therefore praying the House will be pleased to pass a supplement to said act, appointing new commissioners, who live contiguous to each other, and fix the place for such buildings. Ordered to lie on the table.

Feb. 13. The petition from divers inhabitants of Chester county, read yesterday, was read the second time.

Ordered, That Mr. Clark, Mr. Scott, Mr. McCaughy and Mr. Lutz be a committee, to make report thereon.

March 5. The committee appointed for the purpose, February 13 last, reported a bill, entitled "A supplement to an act, entitled 'An act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis, to build a new court house and prison in the county of Chester, and sell the old court house and prison in the borough of Chester,' which was read the first time, and ordered to lie on the table.

March 6. The bill, entitled "A Supplement to the Act, entitled 'An Act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis, to build a new court house and prison in the county of

Chester, and sell the old court house and prison in the borough of Chester," was read the second time, and debated by paragraphs.

Ordered, That it be transcribed, and in the mean time printed for public consideration.

March 22. The bill entitled "A supplement to the Act, entitled 'An Act to enable William Clingan (&c.)' having been brought in engrossed, was compared at the table:

And on the question, "Shall the said bill be enacted into a law?" the yeas and nays were called by Mr. D. Thomas and Mr. Magoffin, and are as follows, viz.:

| Yeas.                |                     | Yeas.                 |  |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|--|
| 1. John Steinmetz.   | 12 Edward J nes.    | 31 Frederick Watts,   |  |
| 2. Th m s Shid s,    | 13 Abraham Scott,   | 32 James J h s n,     |  |
| 3. Mat h w H gate,   | 24 Matthias Slough, | 33 John Carothers,    |  |
| 4. Thomas Rees.      | 25 Joseph Work,     | 34 William Brown      |  |
| 5. James Morris,     | 26 Adam Hubley,     | (Cumberland).         |  |
| 6. Henry Hill,       | 27 William Parr,    | 35. Robert Whitehill, |  |
| 7. Thomas Long,      | 28. Joseph Mag fin, | 36. William Maclay,   |  |
| 8. Joseph Thomas,    | 29. Philip Gardner, | 37. Thomas Morton,    |  |
| 9. Jos ph Sivi z,    | 30. William Brown,  | 38. Richard Wallace,  |  |
| 10. John Clark,      | (Carlisle),         | 39. John Stephenson.  |  |
| 11. Richard Rue,     |                     |                       |  |
| 12. Evan Evans,      |                     |                       |  |
| 13. John Hannum,     |                     |                       |  |
| 14. Richard Wilng.   |                     |                       |  |
| 15. Thomas Potts.    |                     |                       |  |
| 16. Nicholas Lutz,   |                     |                       |  |
| 17. Abr ham Linc ln, |                     |                       |  |
| 18. J c b Andt,      |                     |                       |  |
| 19. James Hartzell,  |                     |                       |  |
| 20. Robert Cluggage, |                     |                       |  |
| 21. Thomas Bull,     |                     |                       |  |

| Nays.              |                      | Nays. |  |
|--------------------|----------------------|-------|--|
| 1. Samuel Ashmead, | 9. Robert McPherson, |       |  |
| 2. David Thomas,   | 10. Dav d McCaughy,  |       |  |
| 3. Joseph Parke,   | 11 Abraham Smith,    |       |  |
| 4. William Brown,  | 12. Christian Lower, |       |  |
| 5. James Mercer,   | 13. John Rice,       |       |  |
| 6. John Craig,     | 14. Robert Brown,    |       |  |
| 7. Adam O th,      | 15. George Woods,    |       |  |
| 8. John Hay,       |                      |       |  |

(Of the members from Chester county, Evan Evans, John Hannum, Richard Willing, Thomas Potts, Thomas Bull and Edward Jones voted for, and David Thomas and Joseph Parke against the bill.)

#### A SECOND ACT PASSED.

The following is a copy of the Act:

A Supplement to an act, entitled "An Act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis, to build a new court house and prison in the county of Chester and sell the old court house and prison in the borough of Chester."

SECT. I. Whereas the act, entitled "An Act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis, to build a new court house and prison in the county of Chester, and sell the old court house and prison in the borough of Chester," passed the twentieth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty, hath not been carried into execution by the commissioners therein named.

SECT. II. Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That John Hannum, esquire, John Taylor, esquire, and John Jacobs be, and they hereby are, constituted and appointed commissioners for the purpose mentioned and expressed in the act, (entitled "An Act to enable William Clingan," (etc.) and that they, or any two of them, shall be, and they hereby are, empowered and authorized to carry the said act, and every part thereof, into execution, as fully and amply, as by the before mentioned act the said William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis, or any four of them, might or could have done.

SECT. III. Provided always, and be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said John Han-



num, esquire, Isaac Taylor, esquire, and John Jacobs shall not have any power to build or contract with any person to build or erect the buildings mentioned in said act, at a greater distance than one mile and a half from the Turk's Head tavern, in the township of Goshen, in said county, and to the west or southwest of said Turk's Head tavern, and on or near the straight line from the ferry, called the corporation ferry, on Schuylkill, to the village of Strasburgh; any thing in this act, or the act to which this is a supplement, to the contrary notwithstanding.

Sect. IV. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said John Hannum, esquire, Isaac Taylor, esquire, and John Jacobs, or any two of them, shall have no power to give possession of the gaol and court house in the borough of Chester, to any person or persons purchasing the same, until a new court house and gaol are erected as aforesaid, any thing in this act, or the act to which this is a supplement, to the contrary notwithstanding.

#### PRESENTATION OF REMONSTRANCES.

In Assembly, Dec. 15, 1784: A Memorial and Petition from divers inhabitants of the County of Chester, was read, remonstrating against the act intituled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis to build a new Court House and Prison in the County of Chester, and sell the old Court House and Prison in the Borough of Chester,'" and praying the petitions against the same read in the late House of Assembly, may be taken into consideration and such relief granted as to this House shall appear just. Ordered to lie on the table.

Feb. 15, 1785. A memorial and petition from



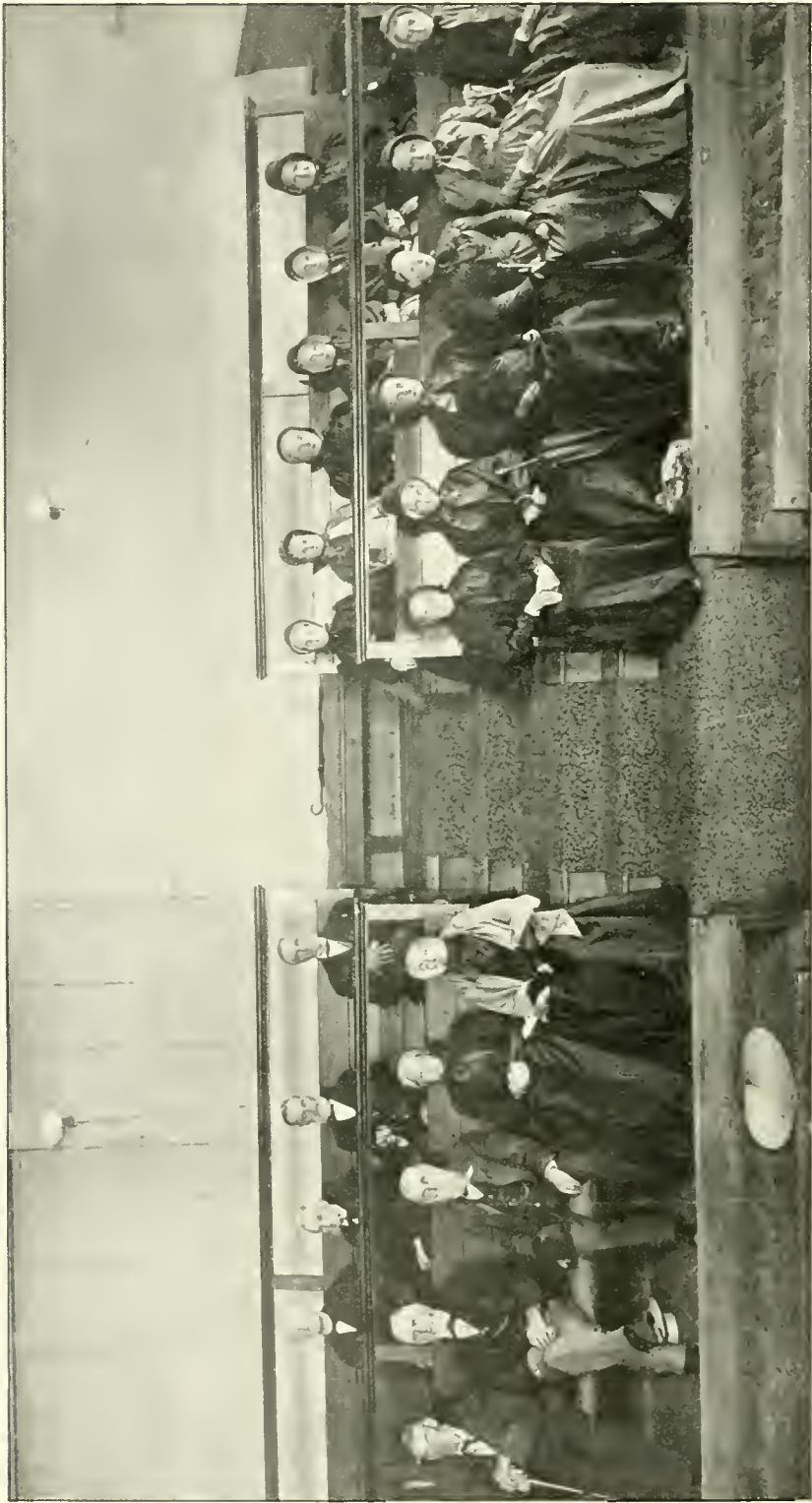
DECORATED CHURCH STREET, NORTH FROM MARKET

Sect. V. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That the said William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis, or any of them, shall not have any power to carry the act, to which this is a supplement, into execution, and that so much thereof as is repugnant to this act, and no more, shall be, and the same is hereby repealed and made void.

(It has been suggested that the limit of one and a half miles from the Turk's Head was inserted through the connivance of John Hannum, in order to place the public buildings on his land in East Bradford; but as he was located at least two and a half miles distant, of which he must have been well aware, and the land of his mother-in-law, Deborah Parke, just outside of the designated limit, it would seem quite as probable that it was intended to keep clear of any lands in which he was interested.)

divers inhabitants of the county of Chester, was read, remonstrating against the act, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled 'An act to enable William Clingan (&c.),'" and praying this House to take into consideration their petitions and remonstrances to the late Assembly; to allow them an opportunity to be heard before the House, or a committee thereof; and to repeal or suspend the further execution of the said act. Ordered to lie on the table.

Feb. 18. A memorial from the commissioners of the county of Chester was read, stating divers grievances they labour under, by the several acts for raising county rates and levies, and particularly the act for building a new court house in the said county, whereby the county commissioners and assessors are required to assess and levy so much



GALLERY OF HIGH STREET FRIENDS' MEETING.

money as the trustees for building the said new court house, or any two of them, shall judge necessary, after selling the old court house and prison; and praying relief in the premises. Ordered to lie on the table.

Feb. 19. The petitions of divers inhabitants of the county of Chester, read December 15th last, and February 15th; and the memorial of the commissioners of the said county, read yesterday, were severally read the second time.

Ordered, That they be referred to the members from Chester County to report a bill if they deem it necessary.

March 3. Divers memorials and petitions, from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Chester, were read, remonstrating against the act for removing the courts of justice within the said county; and praying they may be heard before this House, or a committee thereof, and the act suspended or repealed. Ordered to lie on the table.

in engrossed, were severally compared at the table, enacted into laws, and the Speaker directed to sign the same, viz.:

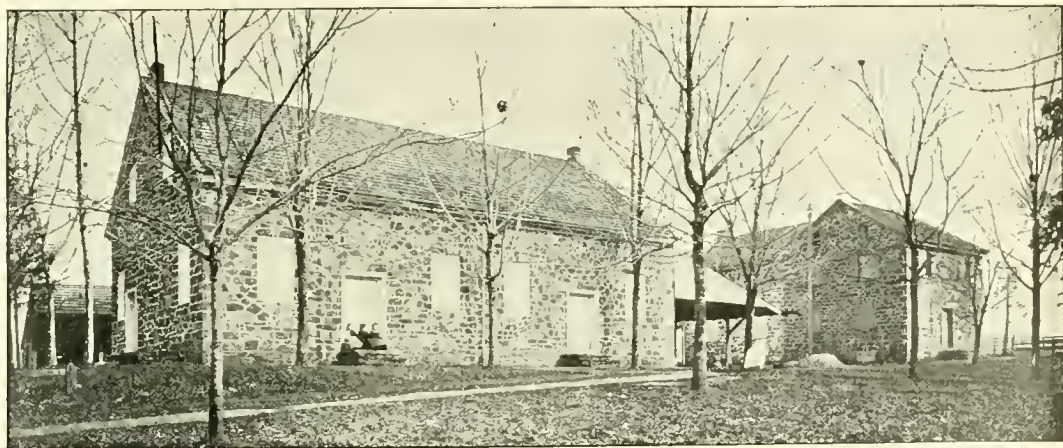
"An act to suspend an act of General Assembly (&c.)," and two others.

(The yeas and nays on this bill are not given in the published journal of the House.)

#### REPEAL OF THE ACT OF REMOVAL.

The following is the text of the act:

Sect. 1. Whereas it appears from a variety of petitions, remonstrances, memorials and papers, presented to and laid before the late and present House of Assembly, by a very large number of respectable inhabitants of the county of Chester, that a very great and general dissatisfaction and uneasiness prevails and subsists among the greater part of the good people of the said county with the said act, and the intended removal of the seat of justice from the ancient borough of Chester to the Turk's head in Goshen township, in the same county, the place mentioned in the said recited act, and with the erection of a Court house and Prison there; and with the unlimited, dangerous and unprecedented powers claimed



EARLY FRIENDS' MEETING HOUSE AND SCHOOL, North High Street.

Original building, facing south, erected in 1813; western portion torn down and rebuilt, 1868; now faces west, portion of old building still stands and is used as a library.

March 4. The committee appointed for the purpose, reported a bill, entitled "An act to suspend an act of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled, 'A supplement to an act, entitled, 'An act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis to build a new Court House and Prison in the County of Chester, and sell the old Court House and Prison in the borough of Chester,'" which was read the first time, ordered to lie on the table.

March 16. The bill, entitled, "An act to suspend an act of the General Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled 'A supplement to an act (&c.).'" was read the second time, and debated by paragraphs. Ordered, that it be transcribed, and in the mean time printed for public consideration.

March 20. The bill, entitled "An act to suspend an act, etc." was read the third time, and debated by paragraphs.

Ordered, That it be engrossed for the purpose of being enacted into a law.

March 30. The following bills having been brought

by the Commissioners under the said act, and have humbly prayed that the said recited act and the act to which the same is a Supplement may be repealed or suspended.

Sect. II. And whereas it is but just and reasonable that the grievances of which the good people of the said county complain should be redressed. Therefore in order to restore tranquility to the said county of Chester, and to ease the minds of the good citizens and inhabitants thereof:

Sect. III. Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Freemen of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the said recited act entitled "Supplement to an Act entitled "An Act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis to build a new Court House and Prison in the county of Chester, and sell the old Court House and Prison in the borough of Chester," passed on the twenty-second day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty four, and every article, clause, matter and thing therein and in the act to which the same is a Supplement, passed on the twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty, shall be, and the same is, and are, hereby declared to be suspended to all intents and purposes, and that the Courts of justice to be held after the passing of this act in and for the said county of Chester shall sit

and be held in the said borough of Chester, in the same manner as they were, and were used and accustomed to before making the said acts hereby suspended or either of them, anything therein contained to the contrary in any wise notwithstanding, and also that the public gaol or prison of the said county shall be and continue to be in the said borough of Chester in manner aforesaid.

Sect. IV. And whereas it is but just, that the necessary expenses which have hitherto been legally incurred under the said acts by the persons who were thereby authorized and appointed to proceed in purchasing the ground, and erecting and building a new Court-house and Prison, shall after the accounts are liquidated and settled be reimbursed and paid by the inhabitants of the said county of Chester, to which end.

Sect. V. Be it enacted by the authority aforesaid That Robert Loller, Esq., George Smith, Esq., Jonathan Roberts (Upper Merion), John Jones (Gulph) and Doctor Robert Shannon, or any three of them, shall be and they are hereby authorized, appointed and empowered to adjust and settle the accounts and expenditures of all the monies necessarily and legally laid out and expended by the persons so as aforesaid, appointed by the above recited acts to purchase the ground and erect the said new Court-house and prison, and on the final settlement of the said accounts shall report in writing under their hands and seals to the Commissioners of the said county of Chester, the balance justly and legally due to the persons aforesaid, which balance the said County Commissioners are hereby authorized and required to assess and levy on the inhabitants of the said county, according to the directions of the act for raising county rates and levies.

Signed by Order of the House,

JOHN BAYARD, Speaker.

Passed into a Law at Philadelphia, on Wednesday the thirtieth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty five.

SAMUEL BRYAN,

Clerk of the General Assembly.

#### ANOTHER EFFORT FOR REMOVAL.

In Assembly, March 2, 1786. (The earlier proceedings of this session not having been met with).

The bill, entitled "An Act to repeal an act, entitled 'An act to suspend an act of General Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled 'A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkoad, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis to build a new Court House and Prison in the County of Chester, and sell the old Court House and Prison in the borough of Chester,'" was read the third time, Whereupon,

On motion of Mr. R. Morris, seconded by Mr. Spyer,

Ordered, That the further consideration thereof be postponed until Friday, the 10th instant.

#### DIVISION OF THE COUNTY THREATENED.

March 6. Petitions from 443 of the inhabitants of the county of Chester were read, praying for a division of said county.

Ordered to lie on the table.

March 7. Petitions from a considerable number of the inhabitants of the county of Chester were read, praying for a division of said county. Ordered to lie on the table.

March 10. Petitions from 1547 inhabitants of the county of Chester were read, praying for a repeal of the law which suspends the removal of the seat of justice from the borough of Chester to the Turk's Head, in Goshen township, in said county; and on motion and by special order, the same were read the second time.

Ordered, That they, together with the other petitions and remonstrances which have been presented heretofore, respecting the removal and division of the said county, be referred to Mr. Clymer, Mr.

Woods, Mr. A. Smith, Mr. Rittenhouse and Mr. Wheeler, to report thereon.

On motion of Mr. Whitebill, second by Mr. Hannum,

Ordered, That the order of the day for debating the bill, entitled "An act to repeal an act, entitled 'An Act to suspend an act of General Assembly of this Commonwealth, entitled 'A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to enable William Clingan (&c.)'" be postponed until Friday next.

March 11. A petition and remonstrance from divers inhabitants of the county of Chester was read, praying the act, entitled "An Act to suspend an act (&c.)," may be repealed.

Ordered to lie on the table.

March 15. A petition from divers inhabitants of the county of Chester was read, praying the bill, entitled "An Act to repeal an act, entitled 'An act to suspend an act, entitled 'A supplement to an act (&c.)'" may not be passed into a law.

Ordered to lie on the table.

March 16. Petitions from 226 inhabitants of the county of Chester were read, praying for a division of said county.

Ordered to lie on the table.

March 17. A petition from the Board of Commissioners of the county of Chester was read, remonstrating against a division of the said county.

Ordered to lie on the table.

A memorial from divers inhabitants of the city of Philadelphia was read, praying the seat of justice in and for the county of Chester may not be removed from the borough of Chester.

The committee appointed March 10th, on the several petitions for and against a division of the county of Chester, made report, which was read, and

Ordered to lie on the table.

Agreeably to the order of the day, the House resumed the consideration of the bill, entitled "An act to repeal an act (&c.)"

And in debating the following paragraph, viz.:

Be it enacted, and it is hereby enacted, by the representatives of the freemen of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the act, entitled "An Act to suspend an act of General Assembly (&c.)," shall be, and the same is hereby repealed and made void.

On the question, "Will the House adopt the same?" the yeas and nays were called by Mr. Dale and Mr. Hannum, and were as follows, viz.:

#### Yeas.

1. William Will,
2. Robert Morris
3. Thomas Fitzsimmons,
4. George Clymer,
5. George Logan,
6. William Robinson, Jr.,
7. Arthur Erwin,
8. Samuel Foulke,
9. John Smith,
10. Joseph Thomas,
11. Robert Ralston,
12. James Moore,
13. John Hannum,
14. Robert Smith,
15. Samuel Evans,
16. Jonathan Morris,
17. Townsend Whelen,
18. Adam Hubley,
19. Alexander Lewrey,
20. Emanuel Carpenter,
21. Joseph Work,

#### Nays.

1. James Irvine,
2. John Salt-r.

#### Yeas.

22. Abraham Scott,
23. William Parr,
24. Henry Miller,
25. David McCaughy,
26. Michael Schmyser,
27. Philip Garner,
28. Joseph Lilly,
29. Henry Tyson,
30. David McClellan,
31. Adam Eichelberger,
32. Frederick Watts,
33. John Crigh,
34. Abraham Lincoln,
35. Henry Spyer,
36. Robert Trail,
37. Peter Trexler, Jr.,
38. Peter Burkhalter,
39. William Todd,
40. Robert Loller,
41. David Krouse,
42. Daniel Bradley,

#### Nays.

14. Frederick Antes,
15. Samuel Dale.

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|-----------------------|----------------------|
| 3. John Clark,        | 16. John McDowell,   |
| 4. Robert Whitehill,  | 17. James Eggar,     |
| 5. John Carothers,    | 18. John Smilie,     |
| 6. Nicholas Lutz,     | 19. James McCalmont, |
| 7. Philip Kreamer,    | 20. Abraham Smith,   |
| 8. David Davis,       | 21. John Rhea,       |
| 9. Balzer Gehr,       | 22. Peter Richards,  |
| 10. Thomas Mawhorter, | 23. Samuel Wheeler,  |
| 11. Robert Brown,     | 24. Adam Orth,       |
| 12. George Woods,     | 25. Robert Clark.    |
| 13. John Piper.       |                      |

So it was determined in the affirmative.

And having debated the aforesaid bill by paragraphs

Ordered, That it be engrossed, for the purpose of being enacted into a law.

(All the Chester County members present, to wit, Robert Ralston, James Moore, John Hannum, Robert Smith, Samuel Evans, Jonathan Morris and Townsend Whelen, voted for the bill. The last named was elected by a special writ, issued Dec. 24, 1785, to succeed Anthony Wayne, resigned. Thomas Bull, the remaining member, does not appear to have voted.)

#### ANOTHER ACT ALLOWING REMOVAL.

March 18. The following bills, having been brought in engrossed, were severally compared at the table, enacted into laws, and the Speaker directed to sign the same, viz.:

An Act to repeal an act, entitled "An Act to suspend an act of General Assembly of this commonwealth, entitled 'A Supplement to an act, entitled 'An Act to enable William Clingan, Thomas Bull, John Kinkead, Roger Kirk, John Sellers, John Wilson and Joseph Davis to build a new Court House and Prison in the county of Chester, and sell the old Court House and Prison in the borough of Chester.'" [And one other Act.]

Sect. I. Whereas by the said Suspending law it is recited that a general dissatisfaction and uneasiness did prevail and subsist among the greater part of the good people of the county of Chester with the said act, and the intended removal of the seat of justice from the borough of Chester to the Turk's Head in Goshen township, in the same county; And whereas it appears, from a variety of petitions, remonstrances and memorials presented to and laid before the present House of Assembly, that a great part of the good people of said county are much dissatisfied with the courts of justice remaining at the borough of Chester, and it being just and reasonable that the said suspending law should be repealed, the causes for which the said law was passed having ceased to exist.

Sect. II. Be it therefore enacted, and it is hereby enacted by the Representatives of the Free-men of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in General Assembly met, and by the authority of the same, That the act entitled "An Act to suspend an Act of General Assembly," etc., shall be, and the same is hereby repealed, and made null and void.

#### THE COUNTY SEAT MOVED AT LAST.

The "House that Jack Built" was now fortunately completed, and we have no more Acts to supplement, suspend or repeal for some years, except that on March 3, 1788, the bounds of the new county seat were defined and the place officially named West Chester. This name appears, however, in Isaac Webb's petition for tavern license, May 25, 1787. The story of the anti-removalists, coming from Chester to batter down the walls of the new Court House, with a cannon, has often been told, but no contemporary account of the affair has been found to show the date of the occurrence. It is inferred that it was after the Suspending Act had been passed, and that it was provoked by the removalists proceeding with the building of the Court House.

Of the legislators whose votes have been shown on this subject it is believed that the following residences are correct: Patrick Anderson, Charlestown. Thomas Bull, East Nantmel, James Boyd, Sadsbury, Evan Evans, London Britain, Samuel Evans, ditto, John Fulton, E. Nottingham, Henry Hayes, Darby, John Hannum, West Bradford, afterwards East Bradford, and later West Chester. William Harris, West Nottingham (?), Edward Jones, Radnor, James Moore, West Nantmel, Jonathan Morris, Marple, Sketchly Morton, Ridley, Joseph Parke, Sadsbury, Thomas Potts, E. Nantmel, Robert Ralston, Vincent, Robert Smith, Oxford, David Thomas, Newtown (?), Townsend Whelen, Uwchlan, Richard Willing, Haverford.

Their votes were doubtless governed by their locations, but how far their election was influenced by the question of removal we have little evidence. It may be noticed, however, that only one of the members in 1785-6 came from that part of the county now included in Delaware county.

In that day the authority of the courts was much more restricted than in this, and it was necessary to have a special Act of Assembly to enable the Sheriff to remove the prisoners from the old to the new jail. This was passed September 25, 1786.

#### NOW FOR A DIVISION OF THE COUNTY.

The petitions in favor of a division of the county, in 1786, must have come from those who despaired of having the county seat removed, but when they had succeeded in this object the boot was on the other leg and it was not long before the Chester faction were clamoring for a division, in which they were successful, in 1789.

One more piece of legislation will be given, in the following Act, approved March 12th, 1800:

An Act to empower the Commissioners of Chester county to sell certain lots of ground belonging to the county, and also to purchase for the use of the county a lot on the west side of the jail.

Section I. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly met, and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, That William Rogers, Evan Evans and John Menough, junior, commissioners of Chester county, and their successors in office, are hereby empowered to purchase ground on the west side of the jail, not exceeding half an acre, in trust for the county, for a jail yard, and such other public purposes as the said commissioners shall deem proper, and the said commissioners are further hereby empowered to sell and convey by deed, in fee-simple, a lot of the property of the county, on the north side of the court house, prison and prison yard, upon this condition and restriction, that the purchaser, his heirs and assigns, shall erect no buildings of any kind, on or over the said lot, but shall permit the same to remain forever an open highway; and the said commissioners and their successors in office, are hereby further empowered to sell and convey by deed in fee-simple, any other lot or lots heretofore purchased for the use of the county, on which no public buildings are erected, and the money arising from such sale or sales to be applied for the use of the county.

The particular lot above specified to be sold was a strip of ground twelve feet wide, between the walls of the Washington Hotel and those of the Court House, and over which it is said that Col. Hannum projected his bridgeway from the second story of the tavern to that of the other building, as an inducement for the patronage of the Judges. The ground was purchased by David Lewis, the then owner of the tavern, by deed of Jan. 23, 1801, in order to gain a passage from High street to the stable in the rear.

## THE TOWN PLOT.

At the beginning of the year 1784 a road from the Great Valley to Wilmington was crossed nearly at right angles by one leading to Philadelphia, in the western part of Goshen township. This intersection of the roads was the common corner for four farms, of which that to the northwest was owned by Daniel Hoopes, the northeast by Isaiah Matlack, the southeast by John Hoopes, and the southwest by Benjamin Trego. That of Hoopes contained 220 acres, part of 636 acres patented to Nathaniel Puckle, of Philadelphia, merchant and mariner, who devised the same to his daughter, Deborah, and she with her husband, Roger Edmunds, sold to Richard Hill, of Philadelphia, and he in turn conveyed the land, June 6, 1728, to Daniel Hoopes, of Westtown. There

the 159 acres by deed of Feb. 22, 1768, from John Morton, Sheriff.

## THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER.

A tract of 2215 acres was patented to the executors of Thomas Lloyd, 2-mo. 20, 1702, including all land now in West Chester, south of the Philadelphia road, now Gay street. Of this John Haines, of Evesham, N. J., became the owner of 965 acres, 5-mo. 21, 1702. This covered the northern part of the larger tract. John Haines conveyed to his son John, May 30, 1715, 365 acres on the Philadelphia road, upon which the latter settled for a time, but afterward returned to New Jersey and died in 1754. He, with Jane, his wife, 6-mo. 2, 1754, conveyed to their son, David, 51 acres, 112 perches, and the latter sold 50 acres thereof to John Hoopes the same



HOME OF THE EVERHART FAMILY, WEST MINER STREET.

was a house upon the premises at this time, but its location is unknown. Daniel Hoopes and Jane, his wife, gave to their son, Daniel, the above 220 acres by deed of December 25, 1730, and the latter built a house upon his tract in 1736, which stood near the present residence of Timothy Brick.

## THE NORTHEAST QUARTER.

The northeast quarter of the present town was included in a patent to Richard Thomas, of White-land, for 1065 acres, dated 5-th-mo. 12, 1703. Of this Edward Riley obtained 200 acres next to the Wilmington Road, or High street, August 12, 1717; John Eachus, 200 acres next to Riley, October 24, 1729, and Joseph Collins 125 acres adjoining the last. John Eachus purchased 50 acres of the southern part of the Riley tract, Sept. 18, 1759, and with Hannah, his wife, 12-mo. 8, 1763, conveyed this last and 100 acres of his former purchase, to their son, Phineas Eachus. Isaiah Matlack next purchased

year. This was in the southeast angle of the cross roads.

## THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER.

John Haines, 2d, devised to his grandson, John Haines, son of David, 100 acres in the southwest angle, and this was purchased by Benjamin Trego, by deed of 4-mo. 22, 1769.

## ACTIVITY IN REAL ESTATE.

Upon the passage of the Act of Assembly, locating the new county seat near the Turk's Head, there was considerable activity in real estate in this vicinity. The act was passed March 22, 1781, and on April 1, 1784, John Hoopes and Christian, his wife, conveyed the 51 acres, 112 perches, with other lands, to John Patton, Daniel Hoopes and Alice, his wife. May 17, 1784, gave to their daughter, Deborah Gibbons, an acre at the corner of Gay and High streets; another to their son, Samuel, near what is now the corner of Gay and Wayne streets, and on the same

date conveyed 71 acres, 100 perches to David Lewis and Jonathan Lewis. This last covers about all of the northwest quarter which has yet been built upon. On May 6, 1786, after the question of removal had been finally settled, John Hannum purchased this land from the Lewis brothers, and made his residence in a brick house, which, according to Joseph Townsend, was built for Samuel Hoopes, son of Daniel, and there died 2-mo. 7, 1799.

#### SITE FOR THE COURT HOUSE AND JAIL.

Benjamin Trego, with a commendable public spirit, conveyed to John Hannum, Isaac Taylor and John Jacobs, the commissioners appointed to erect the new county buildings, for the nominal sum of five shillings, a lot on the west side of High street,

in trust for the use and benefit of the said County of Chester; and Whereas the said John Hannum, Isaac Taylor and John Jacobs have agreed to and with the said John Patton to accept of the lot or piece of land hereinafter mentioned and described, and intended to be hereby granted, in exchange or lieu of the said quarter of an acre mentioned in the said articles and heretofore made choice of by the said John Hannum," &c.

A lot at the southwest corner of Gay and Walnut streets is mentioned as the "public lot" in deeds for adjoining property, and was perhaps the quarter of an acre first selected. John Menough, Jr., Titus Taylor and John Rinehart, as county commissioners, conveyed the above lot to William Hemphill, Dec. 16, 1801.



FOUNTAIN ON MARKET STREET.

Presented to the Borough of West Chester by citizen Dr. John R. Everhart, 1889.

seven perches wide and ten perches deep, for the purpose of erecting a Court House and Prison thereon. The deed was dated May 1, 1784. The location was probably the best in the vicinity. It did not then extend so far southward as South, now Market street, nor so far west as at present. The same commissioners obtained, June 16, 1790, from Isaiah Matlack, a lot containing one acre, on the east side of High street, near about where the Friends' Meeting House now stands. For what particular use this was intended does not appear. It was conveyed to David Lewis Jan. 23, 1801. They also obtained from John Patton and wife, Jan. 25, 1791, a lot on High street, opposite the Court House lot, and where the Hemphill Building now stands. The deed for this contains the following bit of history

"Whereas the said John Patton, in and by certain Articles of agreement, dated the tenth day of April, 1784, did covenant and agree to convey unto the said John Hannum, Isaac Taylor and John Jacobs, one-quarter of an acre of land at such place or places in the Plot or plan of a Town as they should choose

#### A DUAL GOVERNMENT.

There seems to have been a dual form of government in county affairs. While the building commissioners were thus purchasing land for the use of the county, the regularly elected county commissioners were doing the same. Benjamin Trego conveyed, Aug. 26, 1784, to his son, Emmor, the ground between the Court House lot and Market street, and the latter, on Feb. 27, 1786, disposed of it to Abraham Williamson and Jesse James, of Thornbury, and these conveyed it, June 16, 1790, to the county commissioners, John Worth, Joseph Gibbons and James Moore, for £75. On this, at the corner of High and Market streets, was erected a building for the accommodation of the public offices.

Benjamin Trego also conveyed to his son, Emmor, the land on the south side of Gay street from High to Church, July 19, 1784, as also eleven acres westward of Church street. By his will, Oct. 26, 1784, he devised the remainder of his farm to Emmor, and his death occurred in the summer of 1786. Emmor Trego, after selling various lots conveyed the re-

mainder, called 99 acres, to John Rankin, June 10, 1790. Now turn to sale of lots in the new town.

The first deed was to John Hannum, June 25, 1784, from Benjamin Trego, for the lot immediately north of the Court House lot, and extending through to Church street. Upon this Hannum built the Washington Hotel, a three-story brick building, and also a stone house adjoining, to the northward. John Underwood obtained the N. E. corner of Church and Market, June 26, 1784, from the public lot to Church street. This he divided and the corner passed to Emnor Trego, 1789, there being then a frame house thereon; to Isaac Webb and Nathan Schofield, 1792; to Thomas Beaumont, 1796, and to David Beaumont, 1805; there is now a smith shop thereon.

It does not appear that Isaac Taylor invested in the real estate of this place, but John Jacobs, the other commissioner, became the owner of the lot where the bank of Chester County stands, Sept. 7, 1784, yet did not leave his home in West White-land. From him it passed in 1789 to Thomas Ross, Esq., to Robert Frazer, 1805, and to Joseph Hemp-hill, 1798.

Benjamin Trego conveyed to Underwood, Sept. 16, 1784, two acres where the Holy Trinity Church now stands. Subsequent purchasers were Thomas Ross, 1790, John Patton, 1795, and the last devised to his son, Matthew, 1798. John Underwood also obtained the S. E. corner of Church and Gay, Nov. 16, 1784, and in 1789 an addition to the eastward, on Gay. The corner passed to William Worthington, Nov. 7, 1786, and the purchaser erected a hotel thereon before the next spring. Of the easterly part of Underwood's purchase the successive owners were William Dilworth, 1791, William Webb, 1793, John Rettew, Jr., 1794, Richard Woodward, 1798, and John Hannum, 1800.

John Hannum, Sr., obtained the S. E. corner of Gay and Walnut streets, November 16, 1784, and the western half of his lot passed to Thomas Taylor, 1787, to Nathan Schofield, 1790, and a few days later to Joseph Leonard; to Aaron Hoopes and William Brown, 1792, and the latter became sole owner in 1795. A two-story log house, probably built by Thomas Taylor, is mentioned in his deed to Schofield, and is doubtless the same now used by Caleb Taylor as a store.

Nov. 20, 1786, Emnor Trego conveyed to John Kinnard 90 perches at N. W. corner of High and Miner. This was divided between Edward McCloskey, John Starr and John Haney, 1797, and James McGill, 1805. Henry and wife, Oct. 14, 1807, to Olof Stromberg.

At High and Barnard Charles Dilworth obtained two acres from Emnor Trego, Jan. 9, 1787, which passed to Edward McCloskey, 1796, and to William Wollerton, 1799 and 1800.

The first lot sold north of Gay street was from John Hannum to Thomas Ross, Esq., Aug. 1, 1787, at the N. E. corner of Church and Gay. The deed would indicate that Hannum and Ross had built a double house on adjoining lots, and this was a conveyance of one of them to Ross. From the latter it passed to Thomas Hoopes Aug. 20, 1789, who died 1791, and devised this property to his son, Caleb, from whom it passed to Joseph Bailey, a latter; thence to Washington L. Hannum, 1800, and to Edward Bonsall, of Philadelphia, 1803.

Caleb Davis, Clerk of all the Courts in that day, purchased from James and Deborah Gibbons, Jan.

23, 1788, the lot of one acre which her father, Daniel Hoopes, had given her at the N. W. corner of High and Gay. At this corner a log school house had been erected many years before, and Ralph Forrester taught school therein. After the Battle of Brandywine some of the wounded soldiers were brought thither and the grandmother of our townsman, Philip P. Sharples, ministered to their needs as nurse. David doubtless built the stone house still standing, as one is mentioned in his deed for the property to Dr. Joseph Moore, Dec. 31, 1791. Dr. Moore died in 1799, and the property was purchased by Caleb Brinton, Oct. 17, 1799, excepting a small part at the west side, which Moore had sold to Joshua Weaver, Dec. 18, 1792, now the store of S. J. Parker & Son.

John Graves, a native of England, and for many years a prominent "Squire" of the town, purchased a lot on the east side of Walnut street, 139 feet south of Gay, March 17, 1788, and this continued in the family for many years. Prexy Kimber, April 1, 1788, obtained the lot at the east end of Market street, not then opened beyond Walnut. His successors were Isaac Kimber, Dec. 13, 1788, John Slack, 1789, and Jonah Garrett, 1793.

Samson Babb appears to have secured the S. W. corner of High and Market prior to April 28, 1788, when Aaron Musgrave, Jr., bought adjoining ground fronting on both streets. This latter passed to Thomas Mackie, 1789, Charles Dilworth, 1790, and was added to Babb's lot 1797.

April 30, 1788, Jesse Harry, of Thornbury, purchased from John Hannum the N. W. corner of Gay and Church, but he soon sold to William Sharples, and he to Thomas Hoopes, who devised to his son, Caleb. On May 5, 1788, several deeds were executed for lots in the town. John Hannum conveyed one adjoining the last mentioned to William Beaumont and Jonathan Vernon, and, proceeding westerly, others to Daniel Leonard, Joseph Leonard, Abraham Darlington, Amos Darlington and Samuel Stringfellow. Four of these last mentioned became the property of Richard Jones a few years later.

Of this same, May 5th, Isaiah Matlack executed deeds for lots on the north side of Gay street, east of High, to Nathan Schofield, George Matlack, Benjamin Matlack, all members of his family. These lots ran back to what is now Chestnut street, which did not exist till after 1800. Schofield's lot passed to Edward McCloskey, 1793, to George Brown, with a log house, 1793, to Henry Bowman, 1795, to McCloskey again, 1795, for a part, and the remainder, which was probably the N. W. corner of Gay and Matlack streets, to Alexander Tompleton, 1798. David England became the owner of this last March 26, 1802. McCloskey sold his part to Richard M. Hannum and the latter to William Flannegan, 1799. With the exception of these sales the N. E. quarter of the town, was in the Matlack family till 1800.

John Hannum conveyed to John Underwood a lot about where Ladd's Book Store stands, May 31, 1788, and Underwood sold it to Richard Williams, March 19, 1813. Between this and the corner lot at Church Street Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller bought 41 feet with the house which Hannum had built in conjunction with Ross, but the deed was from Hannum's administrators, dated March 29, 1799. The Doctor also bought a lot for his stable, which stood where L. G. McCauley's office building now stands.

John Hannum and Alice, his wife, executed a deed of gift for a lot on West Gay street, March



20th, 1793, to certain trustees, for the use of a Catholic Church, which was the only religious denomination having a place of worship in the town prior to 1812. All the lots north of Gay street, prior to 1800, fronted on that street, and were mostly about 50 feet front by 165 feet deep, west of High.

George Hoffman bought from John Patton, February 5th, 1789, a lot on south side of Gay, about midway between Walnut and Matlack. This was adjoining the one acre which Hannum had bought November 16th, 1784, and of which the latter conveyed 60 perches to Edw. McCloskey, Mar. 5, 1792.

John Patton conveyed, April 2, 1789, a lot on High street to James Smith, of Newlin, who in turn executed a deed to William Sharples, April 24, 1792. On this stands what is known as the old bank building, now used for offices.

Nathan Schofield bought from Emmor Trego, October 26, 1789, a lot on the south side of Gay, about 66 feet west of Church, and 100 feet in front. The

#### THE FOUNDERS OF WEST CHESTER.

John Haines, son of Richard and Margaret Haines, of Aynho-on-the-Hill, in the county of Northampton, England, came to New Jersey as early as 1683, and tradition says that his parents and brothers followed him, but the father died at sea. John married Esther Borton, 1684, and resided at Evesham, Burlington county. In 1702 he purchased 965 acres of land in Goshen, Chester county, which included all the land in West Chester, south of Gay street. Of this he conveyed to his eldest son, John, 365 acres next south of Gay street, and by will, 1728, devised to this same son 50 acres adjoining the first; and to his son, Isaac, 150 acres of the remainder. To his daughters, Rebecca, Phebe, Esther and Mary, he devised 100 acres each. All of these children except Esther and Mary came to Goshen, but Isaac settled on another tract of his father's purchase to the northeast of West Chester.

The second John Haines, in 1742, conveyed 203



RESIDENCE OF HON. WILLIAM BUTLER, NORTH HIGH STREET.

eastern half of this passed to William Eachus, 1792; to Henry O'Neil, 1793; to Francis McCormick, 1797, and to Joseph Clark, 1798. The western half was bought by Rich'd Robinson, 1799; Eliza Peters, 1798.

Nathan Schofield also purchased, October 26, 1789, the southwest corner of Gay and High, being 66 feet on High and about 140 feet on Gay. John Kinnard succeeded him, March 13, 1790, and sold the corner, with the greater part of the ground to Job B. Remington, April 26th, 1817.

The south side of Gay, between High and Walnut, was inherited by John Patton, Jr., who sold it in 1811 to William Townsend.

August 17, 1791, Peter McGurk purchased two lots, including the southwest corner of Church and Gay, and in 1795 conveyed them to William Rogers. John Gregory also bought adjoining property. August 17, 1791, some of which Joseph Clark purchased in 1799. Peter Trego, James Roney and William Kinnard were also purchasers south of Gay and west of Church, but the list is too long already.

acres of the southern part of his land to William Dean, forming later the Sharpless farm. The remainder of his 415 acres passed into the hands of the Hoopes and Trego families.

Rebecca Haines, daughter of the first John, married Joseph Matlack, in New Jersey, and came to Goshen in 1729, settling on the land devised by her father, to the eastward of West Chester. They also purchased the shares of her sister, Phebe Burroughs and Mary Lippincott, adjoining. They had ten children, of whom Isaiah was the eldest son, born 1725, died 1794. He married Mary Hunter, of Edgmont, 1754, and had at least seven children, Benjamin, George, Hannah, Jesse, Ann, Jonathan and Mary. In addition to land conveyed to him by his father, Isaiah purchased the Phineas Eachus farm in 1768, which included the N. E. quarter of the borough. He built the Green Tree tavern and conveyed this with most of the farm to his son, Jesse. His son, Jonathan, built the Eagle tavern. His son, Benjamin, was also a tavernkeeper at the

"Boot" for many years, and was the grandfather of Benj. M. Everhart and brothers, of this borough.

Robert Eachus settled in the northeastern part of the borough about 1765, on part of the Richard Thomas patent. He was the father of John Eachus, who married Hannah, daughter of Isaac Haines, already mentioned. John and Hannah conveyed to their son, Phineas Eachus, the farm in the N. E. quarter of the borough, and the latter was the first landlord of the original Turk's Head. Phineas married Sara's Trego and had children, Benjamin, Virgil, Paris, Abner and Mary. Of these Virgil married Bathsheba Webb, and was the father of the late Abner Eachus, and grandfather of our present efficient Street Commissioner of the latter name.

Daniel Hoopes, son of Daniel and Jane Hoopes,

Jonathan Lewis, brothers to Samuel's wife, Samuel left four daughters, Alice, Hannah, Deborah and Sidney. The first married William Bennett, and they became the owners of the western part of her grandfather Hoopes' farm, which remained for many years in possession of their daughters, generally spoken of as the "Bennett Girls." Four of their eleven children were born at the old homestead, and the fifth, Minerva, at the new buildings, their subsequent home. The "Traveler's Rest" was built by William Bennett and his son, Inla J. Bennett, was its first landlord. Deborah Hoopes, daughter of Samuel, married "Squire" William Newlin, who lived at the old homestead of her grandfather. Sidney Hoopes, her sister, married Isaac Hanthorn, and a stone house was built for



THE FIRST PAOLI MONUMENT. (ON RIGHT OF PLATE)

about 9 feet in height, was erected by the Republican Artillerists of Chester County, on July 14th, 1817, to the memory of the brave men who fell there by the hands of British soldiers under General Grey. On September 20th 1817, the monument was dedicated. An address was delivered by Major Isaac D. Barnard and an account of the massacre was read by Rev. David Jones, who had served as a Chaplain under Wayne. The new monument, a larger and more imposing shaft, was erected with appropriate ceremonies on September 20, 1877 (Paoli's 100th Anniversary), under the auspices of the Centennial Minnte Men of Chester County, and private citizens.

of Westtown, married Alice Taylor, daughter of Abiah Taylor, who built the old brick house near the Brandywine in 1721. They erected a residence on their farm, which included nearly all the N. W. quarter of the borough land, in 1736. They had eight children, Abiah, Joshua, Deborah, who married James Gibbons, Ann, Alice, Samuel, Sarah and Benjamin. The date stone of their house was, in 1880, in the wall of a kitchen at the present residence of Timothy Brick, but the kitchen has since been demolished and the stone has been added to the collections of the Historical Society. Samuel Hoopes married Rebecca Lewis, built the brick house now being remodeled by Gibbons G. Cornwell, and died in 1781, several years before his father. He did not receive a title to the land on which the house was built. In fact his father sold it a few months prior to Samuel's death, to David and

them on a lot on Hannum avenue, about 1819, which is still standing.

John Hannum, son of John and Jane (Niels) Hannum, and grandson of John and Margery Hannum, of Concord township, was born there about 1742. He married, in 1767, Alice Parke, daughter of Jonathan and Deborah Parke, and granddaughter of Abiah Taylor, already mentioned. He purchased land on Brandywine just below the mouth of Valley Creek, but about the time of the Revolution was keeping tavern in Marshallton. He was disowned by Friends on account of his marriage, and later became an earnest worker in the cause of American Independence, being commissioned a colonel, May 17, 1777. On May 10, 1780, he was commissioned lieutenant colonel of the third battalion of light horse, for the county of Chester. He is recognized as the leading spirit in the removal of the county

seat from Chester, and in the affairs of the newly organized town of West Chester. His great-grandson, and the sixth of the name in this country, died about three years ago, the proprietor of the "Mansion House," in this borough. Col. Hannum's daughter, Mary, married William Kinnard, and was the mother of Caleb H. Kinnard, long a resident of this place. Another daughter, Deborah, married Emmor Bradley, who was the father of Caleb H. Bradley, now living here.

John Underwood is supposed to have been the son of James and Mary Underwood, some time of Goshen and of Pennsbury, but nothing positive has been learned on that point. His wife's name was Margery. He was coroner of Chester County in 1787, and appears to have been active as a speculator in town lots. His daughter, Amy, married William Worthington; another daughter, Lucy, was the wife of John Patton, and in 1799 married Ebor Worthington, while a third, Ann, married John Townsend. There were probably other children.

#### ONE OF OUR FOUNDERS.

John Patton appears to have been a captain of light horse under Col. Hannum, 1780-81, but nothing is known as to his antecedents. Dr. William Darlington gave him the credit of standing next to John Hannum in his efforts for the establishment of the county seat here. Hannum avenue, at the west end of the town, and Patton avenue at the east preserve the memories of these friends. While speaking of family names conferred on streets it may be added that Matlack street is another instance of a not infrequent custom here.

Isaac Worthington, son of John and Mary, of Bucks county, born in 1735, married Martha Carver, of Buckingham, in 1760, and came to Goshen township in 1783. Their children were Mary, who married Francis Tomlinson; William, who married Amy Underwood, 1785; John, who married Elizabeth Conly, 1804; Amos, who married Jane Taylor, 1799; Elizabeth, who married Jesse Roberts and Thomas Temple; Ebor, who married Lucy (Underwood) Patton, 1794, and Joseph, who married Emeline Evans. The descendants of Isaac Worthington have been amongst our most useful citizens. William was elected sheriff in 1798, and was also a justice of the peace. He built the "White Hall" tavern, as already stated. Dr. Wilmer Worthington, a son of Amos and Jane, was one of the most highly esteemed physicians and legislators.

John Harper was married May 9, 1759, at the Old Swedes' Church, Wilmington, to Phebe Vernon, daughter of Jacob and Elizabeth (Blickman) Vernon, of Thornbury, and a half sister to "Squire" Thomas Cheyney. She inherited some land in that township, and where they appear to have lived prior to 1770, in which year he received the first license at the new Turk's Head. He probably continued there till 1771. He joined the Continental army in January 1776, and was made ensign of Capt. Frazer's company, and in Feb. 1776, was appointed quartermaster of the 1th battalion, Penna. troops. Jan. 1, 1777, he was appointed adjutant of the 5th Penna. regiment of foot, with rank of 1st lieutenant. Feb. 19, 1782, he was made adjutant dep. quartermaster to the troops under Brig. Gen. Wayne, in Georgia. He was also commissioned as follows: Oct. 18, 1783, Coroner of Chester County; Oct. 21, 1784, ditto; Mar. 29, 1784, postmaster District of Chester; Oct. 13, 1786, Coroner again.

He is said to have led the forces to West Chester for the purpose of demolishing the walls of the new court house, about 1785, and in 1786, he purchased the tavern, "Sign of the Ship General Washington," in Chester, where he obtained license in that and the succeeding year. The sheriff seized this property, and on Nov. 26, 1788, Harper petitions for license at the "King of Denmark," in Marcus Hook. May 26, 1789, he had rented that "ancient and noted Tavern in said County, the Yellow Springs," where he spent two years. From 1792 to 1799 he was again at the Turk's Head, and at the "Rising Sun," Dilworthtown, from 1801 till his death, in 1803. He was buried at the Cheyney burial ground, in Thornbury.

Peter and Judith Trego, natives of France, were early settlers in Middletown township, (now) Delaware County, and were so far identified with Friends that their children's births appear on the records of this Society. Their son, William, born 1693, married in 1717, Margaret Moore, and settled in Goshen township, where he kept a tavern about 1730-41, perhaps in the neighborhood of Goshenville. His son, Benjamin, born 1730, married in 1753, Mary Pyle; in 1767 a 2d wife, Mary Rettew, and in 1771 a 3d wife, Bathsheba, widow of Jeremiah Piersol. By the first he had Hannah, who married Amos Matlack; Edith, who married a Matthews, Nicholas Brooks and James White; Mary, who married Joshua Weaver; Benjamin, who died young, and Emmor, born 1763, who remained unmarried; by 2d wife he had Benjamin and Rachel, and by 3d wife a daughter, Bathsheba.

Benjamin Trego purchased, in 1769, from John Haines, 100 acres of land, including what for many years was the S. W. quarter of this town, and when it was decided to locate the county seat here he, with a commendable public spirit, gave a site for the court house. He sold a few lots to other purchasers, more to his son, Emmor, and to the latter devised the remainder of his farm. He died in 1786.

Emmor Trego sold numerous lots in the new town, and finally, in 1790, disposed of the farm to John Rankin, some time of York county.

Joshua Weaver, son of Isaac and Sarah (Dell) Weaver, born in Nether Providence, 1753, married about 1783, Mary Trego, and upon the establishment of the new county seat became one of its most useful citizens. His business was that of a surveyor and conveyancer, also a silversmith, but he took part in all public measures; was Burgess and treasurer of the town, county commissioner, 1818-1821, and clerk to the Board of Directors of the Poor from 1799 till his death, in 1827. His daughter, Maria, was the wife of John Rutter, and a daughter, Edith, was the mother of Dr. William D. Hartman, recently deceased.

Nathan Scholfield (as he appears to have written his name) was the son of Thomas and Rebecca Scholfield, who came from Buckingham, Bucks county, in 1764, and settled in Goshen township. Nathan was married March 25, 1779, by Friends' ceremony, at the house of John Bowen and before Thomas Taylor, Esq., to Hannah Matlack, daughter of Isaiah Matlack, of Goshen. He was the first landlord of the Green Tree tavern, and appears to have been an active speculator in town lots. His daughter, Anna, became the wife of Emmor Entriken, of East Bradford, and the mother of Emmor S. Entriken, late of this town.



THE OLD TURK'S HEAD TAVERN SIGN.

The sign was secured several years ago from the Misses Kenney, former owner of the hotel, by Prof. Daniel W. Howard, for the Chester County Historical Society. It was painted by Thomas Sully, an eminent English painter, born in 1783, who emigrated to America in 1792. He was a portrait painter, and for a time resided in Philadelphia. Among the portraits painted by him were full length portraits of Thomas Jefferson, General Lafayette, Decatur and others. He died November 5, 182.

## TAVERNS OF WEST CHESTER.

WITH the establishment of the seat of justice at West Chester, it was naturally expected that the place would in time become a town of considerable size, but being an inland location, distant from navigable water or other highway of commerce, and agriculture being the only industry worth mentioning, there was really nothing to depend upon except the influx of persons attending the courts and public offices. Hence tavern keeping was the first promising field of business.

The Turk's Head tavern had been in operation for more than twenty years, Phineas Eachus having received license at the old log building which stood about where the Bank of Chester County stands, in 1762. He appears to have continued in the business until 1768, when he was succeeded by John Clark. In 1769, John Hoopes, who had become the owner of the property, erected a new building a short distance south of the old one, and at the present site, though the house has been enlarged more than once. John Harper was the first

landlord at the new house in 1770 and in 1774 he was succeeded by Jacob James, who entered the British service, September 13, 1778, and was commissioned by Sir William Howe a captain of a troop of Philadelphia light dragoons.

With the removal of the county seat other taverns quickly sprang into operation and in 1788 there were six licensed houses. Two of these dropped out of the list the next year, probably on account of the diminished business resulting from a division of the county. New ones appeared, however, from time to time, and in 1810 the number was nine.

### THE TURK'S HEAD.

This being, as it were, the nucleus of the coming town, it is proper to enter more fully into the details of its history. While Phineas Eachus was the owner of the farm in the northeastern angle of the Valley and Philadelphia roads, he appears to have crossed over to the S. E. corner to reside on property belonging to David Haines (?), as early as 1761. In November of that year he petitioned for license to keep a tavern, for which occupation he was recommended by thirty-three of his neighbors, yet was unsuccessful.

On August 31, 1762, he presented another petition, almost identically worded with the first, in which he says:

"That Whereas your Petitioner's Habitation being at the Intersection of two Public Roads, one whereof leading from Braiford to Philadelphia, And the Other from the Great Valley to Willmington; which Roads, but Especially the Latter, is much occupied by Travellers from Distant Parts; and being Destitute of a Public House for many Miles together, is therefore Inconvenient for those who travel from Remote Parts, and Burdensome to the Adjacent Inhabitants.

"Therefore it is Your Petitioners Humble Request, that you may be Pleased to grant him your Recommendation to the Governor, in order for his Obtaining a Liscence to keep such a Public house of Entertainment. And your Petitioner, as in Duty bound, Shall Pray, etc.

PHINEHAS EACHUS.

"We the Subscribers, being Neighbours and Acquaintances of the Above Petitioner, are of the Opinion that there is Need of a Public house of Entertainment at the Place above mentioned, And Deem him to be a Person Sufficiently Qualified for the Exercise of that calling. Therefore we Request that he may be Recommended according to the Tenor of his Petition."

Thos. Darlington, Ralph Forrester, John Darlington,  
Joseph Townsend James Jefferis, George Carter,  
Joseph Pierce, Thos. Pim, Ellis Davies,  
Jonathan Parke, Warrick Miller, Charles Ryant,  
Abiah Taylor, Emmor Jefferis, Isaac Haines, Jr.  
Samuel Kennedy, William Eachus, John Hoopes,  
John Strode, Joseph Garrett, James Marshall,  
Daniel Hoopes, Caleb Way, William Johnston  
Jos. Matlack, Thomas Yearsley, Alex'nd'r Johnson  
Jno. Townsend, James Dilworth, John Downing,  
Jos. Gibbons, Jr. Isaac Taylor, Thos. Stalker,  
Thos. Wildamson Titus Bennett, Isiah Matlack.

This petition was successful and being once established in the business, fewer signers were deemed necessary in succeeding years, there being but six in 1764. For the following three years the license was renewed, but it is known that in 1768 the Sheriff seized the property of Phinehas Eachus, on the north side of the Philadelphia road, and he disappears from this locality.

In August, 1768, John Clark, having "Rented the House lately kept by Phinehas Eachus, at the sign of the Turk's Head in Goshen," obtained license to succeed him in the business.

August 29, 1769, John Hoopes represents that he "has purchased the tavern known by the name of the Turk's Head, in Goshen, and the House being Rendered unfit for that purpose by its Decay and Other Inconvenies thereto Belonging, I have Built a New Brick House near the other, and more Comodions for the Accommodation of Travelers than the other." Although twenty-eight substantial citizens signed his request, it was merely indorsed "Allowed at the old House." In November following he renews his request, assuring the court that his house is ready, but probably was unsuccessful, and in his disappointment made some uncomplimentary remarks about the justices.

August 28, 1770, John Harper comes forward, "having lately taken a lease of a very Convenient house, within a few Perches of the noted Tavern, known by the name of the Turks-head, in Goshen \* \* \* and as the old Tavern house is now become Insufficient for a dwelling place," &c., he wishes to have license in the new house. This petition was rejected, but on November 15th following John Hoopes sent to the justices a "recantation," in which he says, "if I have said any Thing Disrespectfull of the Bench Heretofore I am hartily sorey for it, and ask the Justices Pardon \* \* \* but if my Intreaties have not ye Desired Effect I had rather suffer a Double Portion of the Misfor-

tune than John Harper and the Publiek should suffer on my account." Two weeks later he plainly admits that "Whereas I have spoke Disrespectfully of the Honorable Bench heretofore, I now Declare that I am sorey for it and ask the Justices Pardon, or any one of them that I Treated with Contempt," &c. A petition from John Harper for license in the new house is now favorably received, and the name of the "Turk's Head" transferred thereto as appears by his pition in the following year.

May 31, 1774; Jacob James "hath Rented a House in the Township of Goshen, which hath Been a publick House these several Years (known by ye Sign of the Turks Head) And Your Petitioner hath



DATE STONE—Serpentine.

Taken from a wall of the Turk's Head Hotel, at a time when alterations were being made. Marks: "J. H., 1769." The initials are those of John Hoopes, who erected the building in the year given. There are three compasses and a heart inscribed on it.

Laid in Stocks, And Been at Considerable Expence in Order to Accommodate the Publiek," &c. 18 signers: Allowed. May 30, 1775, Jacob James "hath for some time kept a Publick House in the Township of Goshen at the Sign of the Turks Head," &c. Five signers. May 28, 1776, same "hath kept a Publick House At ye Sign of ye Turks Head in Goshen," &c. Four signers.

August 25, 1778: Francis Trumble "hath Rented the House known be The name of the Turks Head in the Township of Goshen And have Provided Every necessary to keep an Inn or Publick House." Recommended by Jonathan Paschal and Ezekiel Leonard.

Last Tuesday in May, 1782: John Underwood, of the Township of Goshen, "having lately removed to that Noted place known by the Name of the Turks head in sd Township & by your Honours Leave obtained Lycence for keeping a Publick house of Entertainment for Travellers, hath been Informed that it is Necessary at this Term to make fresh application for Leave to Continue the Same." 17 signers.

May 27, 1783: John Underwood "hath for Some-time past kept a Publick House of Entertainment at the Sign of the Turks Head in said Township \* \* That your Petitioners present Licence will expire on the 10th of August next," &c. 14 signers.

Last Tuesday in May 1786: Nathan Scholfield, of Goshen sheweth "That your Worshipps have long been Pleased to favour him with your Recommendation for Licence to Keep an Inn Or Tavern which Favour with gratitude he doth acknowledge and therefore prays that your Honorable Court will be pleased to grant him your Further Indulgence by Recommending him to His Excellency the President and Council in Order that he may Obtain licence to Keep a Publick house at the Sign of the Turk's head in the Township of goshen aforesaid," etc. 17 signers. Bond dated 20 Oct. 1786. The next year Scholfield went to the Green Tree.

May 28, 1787: Isaac Webb "now occupies the Public House in West Chester (Goshen Township) lately kept by Nathan Scholfield, and hath provided himself with accommodations suitable to entertain the Public." 6 signers.

Last Tuesday in May 1788: "The Petition of Isaac Webb Respectfully Sheweth, That your Petitioner for a series of time Having Experienced your Worshipps Goodness in recommending him to his Excellency the President and Supreme Executive Council as a fit and Suitable Person to keep a Public House of Entertainment, Sollicits your Worshipps for a further Continuance of your Benignity. And your Petitioner as in duty Bound will Gratefully acknowledge the favor." Signed by five others but not by Webb. Bond dated 8th Sep. 1788. £100 as in all cases.

Last Tuesday in May, 1789: Peter Mather of the Town of West Chester "hath rented and now Occupies that Noted and Commodious House or Inn Situate in the Town of West Chester aforesaid known by the Sign of the Turk's Head. That your Petitioner hath provided himself with every requisite to Entertain Judges, Justices, Lawyers, Jurors, Suitors, Travelers, Neighbors & Gentlemen & Ladies of every profession & Denomination." &c. 8 signers. Mather came from the Warren Tavern, East Whiteland, but did not remain long.

May 25, 1790: "The petition of the Subscriber respectfully Sheweth. That your Petitioner now occupies that noted Inn in the Town of West Chester known by the name of the Sign of the Turks Head where he has good accommodations for Travelers &c., & Craves the kind indulgence of the Court for their recommendation to the Supreme Executive Council for their Licence to keep a Publick House of entertainment for the ensuing year. And your Petitioner shall Pray." JOSHUA WEAVER.

It may be noted that from 1777 to 1790, the functions of a Governor were administered by the Supreme Executive Council, of which the President was elected by that body in conjunction with the House of Assembly.

May 30, 1791: The Petition of John Harper "Humbly Sheweth, That your Petitioner hath Removed from the Yellow Springs in Pikeland to the Sign of the Turks-Head in the Town of West Chester aforesaid Where he proposes to keep a house of Publick Entertainment, &c. Six signers.

May 21, 1792: "The Petition of John Harper Humbly Sheweth, That your Petitioner has for one year last passed Occupied that Antient Inn in the Town of West Chester in the County of Chester as a public House of entertainment for the

benefit of Travellers, &c., & prays your Honours will recommend him to his Excellency the Governor of this Commonwealth for a continuance of his favour by granting him a Lisenec for that purpose."

May 21, 1798: John Harper represents that he "has for seven Years last pass'd kept a Public house of Entertainment at the Sign of the Turks heade in West Chester."

May 29, 1799: "The petition of the subscriber humbly sheweth that your petitioner hath rented the Tavern lately occupied by Major Harper well known by the name of the Turk, in West Chester, where Your Petitioner at Present keeps Tavern, where he hopes he will be able to Give General satisfaction he Therefore requests the favour of the honourable Judges to recommend him to his Excellency the Governor in order to Obtain Licence to keep a public house of entertainment where he now dwells, and Your petitioner will acknowledge the favour," &c.

BENJAMIN MILLER.

Recommended by Joseph McClellan and William Gibbons. Miller's last petition for license at the Turk's Head was in 1805.

May 19, 1806: "Your petitioner humbly Sheweth that he has Rented the well known stand Called the Turk's-head lately kept by Benjamin Miller, which has been a long Licenced house," &c.

THOMAS TUCKER.

Recommended by Joshua Gibbons and nine others. Allowed May 21st. Tucker continued here until 1811.

April 29, 1811: John Patton "has lately removed to that noted Stand in the Borough of West Chester known by the Sign of the Turk's head." He continued here till 1824. In 1816 he locates the house on High Street, and in 1820 says it is well known "by the Sign of the Grand Turk."

May 3, 1824: Eber Worthington "has become the owner and keeper of that well known tavern Stand in West Chester, Sign of the Turks Head."

April Term, 1827: Daniel Buckwalter, who married Francina, daughter of Eber Worthington, and granddaughter of John Underwood, "has taken and now occupies that old established tavern sign of the Turks head in the Borough of West Chester." He continued to be the landlord till 1834, being recommended at different times by Gen. I. D. Barnard, Thomas S. Bell and others. After 1830 the law required each applicant for license to have the endorsement of at least twelve reputable citizens. About this time printed forms of application became common.

May 6, 1834: Eber Worthington "is the owner and occupier of that old established Tavern Stand, situate in the Borough of West Chester in the said County of Chester known as the Sign of the Turks Head, on the corner of Market and High Street." Recommended by James M. Kinnard, Robert Mercer, Olof Stromberg and eleven others. Eber Worthington was the landlord for four years, when he was succeeded by Joel Matlack.

It has been shown that John Haines, 2d, conveyed to his son David 51 acres, 112 perches of land in the S. E. angle of the Philadelphia and Wilmington roads, 6 mo. 2, 1753; and David Haines and Mary his wife, 10 mo. 23, 1753, conveyed 50 acres thereof to John Hoopes. David Haines afterwards died intestate, seized of the remaining one acre and 112 perches, and leaving two sons, Joshua and John. The sheriff conveyed Joshua's share to Benjamin Trego, Sept. 19, 1768, to whom also his brother John Haines released his share, Dec. 2, 1769, and Benjamin Trego and wife, Mary, con-

veyed the whole to John Hoopes 12 mo. 27, 1769, as recited in later conveyances. The deed not being on record we cannot determine whether this acre and 112 perches included the original Turk's Head tavern, but this is the supposition. In the petition of John Hoopes for license in the new house, Aug. 29, 1769, he says he has purchased the old building, yet this was prior to the conveyance from Benjamin Trego and wife for the acre and 112 perches. However, he may have bargained for it at an earlier date. Perhaps the residence of David Haines, who was married about 1742, became the original Turk's Head.

As already stated the new building was erected by John Hoopes in 1769. In 1784 he conveyed the property to John Patton, who, dying in 1798, devised this part of his estate to his son Thomas Patton, a minor. The latter died intestate and without issue, whereupon this property was taken by his brother, John Patton, Jr. He, with Elizabeth, his wife, on Dec. 13, 1823, conveyed the tavern, together with 54 acres of land, to his step-father, Eber Worthington, of West Goshen, and afterwards of West Chester. Eber Worthington and Lucy, his wife, March 30, 1841, executed a deed for the tavern and one acre of land to John T. Worthington. Subsequent conveyances were from John T. Worthington and Rachel his wife to Charles K. McDonald, of East Nottingham; Charles K. McDonald, of West Chester, and Louisa B., his wife, March 29, 1851, to John McGinley, of the same place; John McGinley and Catharine his wife April 1, 1852, to their son-in-law, A. Harvey Lewis, of West Chester; A. Harvey Lewis and Sarah Ann his wife, March 10, 1854, to James M. Hughes, of the same place. The latter converted the establishment into a boarding school for girls, but the venture proving unsuccessful he made an assignment, Sept. 23, 1857, to his brother, Jesse Hughes, of London Grove, and John T. Worthington, of West Chester. They conveyed the property, April 1, 1858, to Joseph Morgan, of West Chester. Since then the conveyances have been from Joseph Morgan and Thamezin his wife, March 31, 1860, to James D. McClellan; James D. McClellan and Elizabeth L., his wife, March 26, 1867, to Lemuel Kenney, of the borough of Oxford; Lemuel Kenney of West Chester, and Martha E., his wife, Jan. 21, 1880, to their daughters, Harriet A. and Alice H. Kenney; and Harriet A. Kenney and Alice H. Kenney, August 25, 1898, to George H. Smith, of Lancaster city.

#### THE GREEN TREE.

This tavern was erected in 1786 by Isaiah Matlack, the owner of the farm which included the N. E. quarter of the town, and his son-in-law, Nathan Scholfield, was the first landlord, in 1787. In 1793 Isaiah Matlack conveyed the farm and tavern to his son Jesse Matlack, and the latter, at his death, in 1830, devised the same to his son, Robert Matlack, subject to considerable mortgaged indebtedness. Robert died in 1834, having appointed Walker Yarnall and Jesse Matlack his executors, with directions to sell the property; but it was seized by the sheriff, Robert Irwin, and conveyed, Nov. 5, 1835, to Walker Yarnall and David Townsend. The land included 137 acres, of which 20 were in West Goshen. The purchasers sold the tavern and three lots of ground, by deed of April 1,

1836, to Joseph P. McClellan, of West Chester, for \$14,702.95. The latter, with Mary E., his wife, conveyed the same to John Marshall, March 25, 1847, with the exception of a portion sold to Samuel M. Painter. The next conveyance, from John Marshall to Joseph Hemphill and James B. Wood, March 19, 1850, reduced the property in size nearly to its present condition. It then extended northward to the alley. Joseph Hemphill and James B. Wood, with their wives, conveyed the tavern, March 25, 1851, to Joseph Wood, of Londonderry, and he to Henry R. Guss, of West Chester, March 31, 1854. For thirty-eight years it continued under this proprietor, who, with Rachel Ann, his wife, conveyed it to Ellis P. Newlin April 7, 1892. The subsequent conveyances have been from Ellis P. Newlin and Bella his wife, Mar. 27, 1893, to Marshall J. Speakman, and from Marshall J. Speakman, of West Chester, to Benjamin Vandever, of Caln township, April 1, 1898.

#### THE WHITE HALL.

This was erected in 1786 by William Worthington, who was the first landlord. He conveyed it to Robert McClenahan, March 31, 1794, and the latter to Isaac Webb, April 5, 1796. No evidence has been found of its being licensed between 1789 and 1806, when Webb took possession. The latter conveyed it to Ephraim Buffington, March 30, 1801, who continued to be the landlord until 1812. The name of "General Wayne" appears in 1797, but tradition says the original name was the "Cross Keys." In 1804 Buffington changed the name from Gen. Wayne to President Jefferson. In 1814 Benjamin Jefferis became the owner of the property and was landlord for one year, when he was succeeded in the occupation by Mary ("Polly") Pearson, and the place was known as Pearson's Tavern. Davis Beaumont became the landlord in 1818, and changed the name to the Cross Keys. The property was purchased in 1837 by Philip P. Sharples, who built an addition and sold it to Robert Irwin the next year. Having received a coat of white plaster its name was changed in 1839 to the White Hall. It was occupied by various renters until 1869, when it ceased to be kept as a tavern and fell into decay. In 1874 it was purchased by Eber Woodward and Lewis W. Shields, who demolished the old landmark and erected on its site the present stores at and near the S. E. corner of Church and Gay Sts.

#### THE WASHINGTON HOTEL.

This house was built by John Hannum about 1787, immediately north of the Court House lot, it being a 3 story brick building of 36 feet front. John Hannum and wife conveyed it to Isaac Webb, Aug. 30, 1792, and the latter to James Bones, March 29, 1796. David Lewis, who owned a farm in East Bradford, exchanged with Bones, Jan. 1, 1801. This was not the David Lewis, who with his brother, Jonathan, had purchased the Hoopes farm, north of Gay street and west of High. After his death his property was sold by the sheriff to Benjamin Miller, Feb. 5, 1811. The latter, with Hannah, his wife, conveyed it to John Jefferis, of Baltimore Co., Md., though a native of Chester County, and at whose death, in 1825, it was taken by his son, Samuel C. Jefferis, an uncle to William W. Jefferis, the long-time Cashier of the Bank of Chester County and collector of a mineralogical cabinet of rare size

and beauty. Samson Babb was the next purchaser, April 1, 1830, and on August 13, 1841, the sheriff made title to John Babb, at whose death it passed to his only son, John W. Babb. He, with Phebe H., his wife, conveyed the old hostelry, April 1, 1853, to David and Sarah B. Meconkey, soon after which it was demolished to make room for the fine brown stone residence, now the Assembly Building.

#### THE BLACK BEAR.

Was erected in 1789 by Samson Babb, who came from the neighborhood of West Caln township. It stood at the S. W. corner of High and Market streets, and was torn down, I believe, between 1865 and 1870. It remained in the possession of the Babb family, and so far as I know was managed by one of the name, except the years, 1797-1804, when James Jackson was the landlord.

#### THE WEST CHESTER HOTEL.

On February 2, 1828, Jane P. Jefferis, the widow of John Jefferis, late of the Washington Hotel, petitioned for license in a house "lately erected by Joseph L. Taylor, in the Borough of West Chester at the junction of the Strasburg and Oil Mill road." Her petition was granted. The extension of Gay Street westward was known as the Oil Mill Road, said Oil Mill being close by the present residence of John M. James.

#### THE SPREAD EAGLE.

Situated at the N. W. corner of Gay and Walnut streets, was erected by Jonathan Matlack, about 1803, and James Jackson, late of the Bear tavern, was the first to receive license, 1805. The property is believed to have remained in the Matlack family until recent times, having been devised by Jonathan to his son, Isaiah R. Matlack, in 1828. There have been numerous changes in the management and among others Samuel Guss may be mentioned as landlord for several years, beginning with 1836.

In 1803 there were two other applicants for license, the one by Jesse Roberts, who represented that he resided on the main street, directly opposite the Court House. He was refused, although recommended by William Worthington and thirty-five

others. His property was on the site of the Bank of Chester County.

Another application was from Joseph Clark, who stated that he had "lately built and finished two very commodious and elegant houses with suitable rooms, cellars, and a kitchen to each, all under one roof and a convenient stable adjoining the premises, situate in Gay Street," and that these buildings had "cost him an immense sum of Money to complete them and that he carryd on the buildings at a time when the growth of the Borough was seemingly at a stand and public spirit in a State of Stagnation."

He is supposed to have been located on the south side of Gay Street, a little west of Church.

#### OTHER TAVERNS.

In 1786 Emmor Trego was granted license to keep a tavern where he lived, probably in the farm house which stood a little southward of the Mansion House. The license was renewed to him May, 1787. In 1788, Joshua Weaver, his brother-in-law, succeeded him, and was granted license again in 1789, after which there is no further mention of the house. In the last application the place was styled the "Horse and Groom."

John Rouse, having rented a house convenient to the Court House, was licensed at May Court, 1788, but the next year was at Dilworthtown, and no one appears to have succeeded him at West Chester.

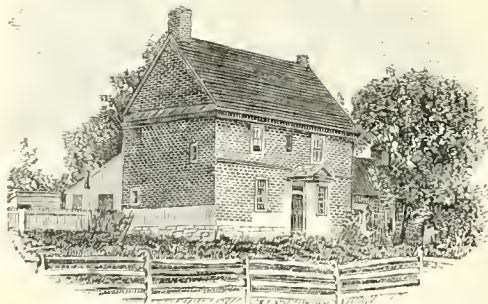
#### TRAVELLER'S REST, STAR TAVERN.

This was erected by William Bennett, on the Strasburg Road, within a few rods of the borough line, about 1820, and his son, Imla J. Bennett, was licensed there in 1822. It has not been kept as a tavern in recent years.

#### CHESTER COUNTY HOTEL, MANSION HOUSE.

This was built in 1831, by William Everhart, and started as a temperance hotel, but it was found that this would not pay and the next year received a regular license. It continued to be owned by William Everhart for many years.

The Grove Hotel, on the State Road, opposite Everhart's Grove, and the Farmer's Hotel, on West Market St., are comparatively modern enterprises.



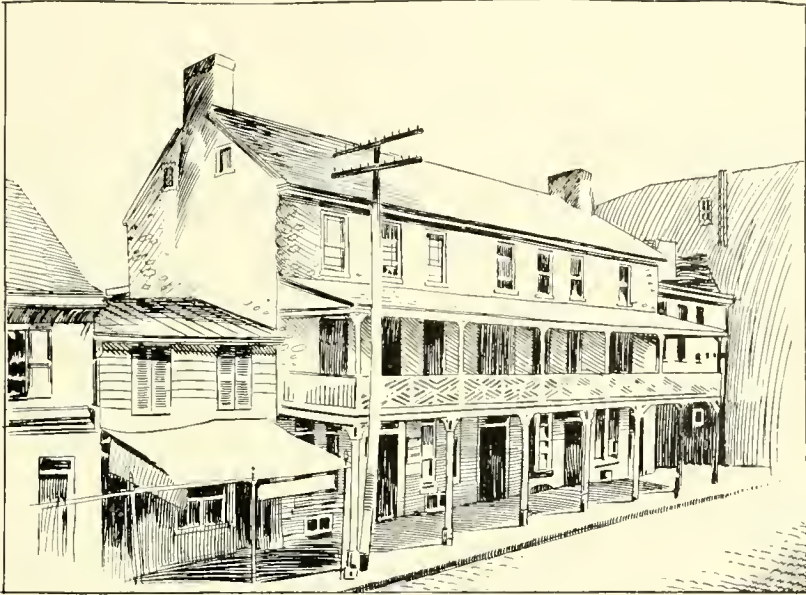
BRICK HOUSE BUILT BY ABIAH TAYLOR—1724.

Abiah Taylor settled on the Brandywine, on the Creek Road, a little south of the Strasburg Road, East Bradford township, in 1702. It has been said that the bricks were brought from England, but this is not correct. They were made on the farm from clay procured a short distance south of the town. The window sashes were made of lead and the lights were small. It is still standing and is known throughout the neighborhood as the old brick house.



## WHERE THE DISCUSSIONS TOOK PLACE,

On the Subject of the Removing the Seat of Justice to West Chester.



WASHINGTON HOUSE, CHESTER, PA.

**T**HE above illustration is that of the Washington House in the city of Chester, known a century and a half ago as the Pennsylvania Arms.

Among the old buildings in Chester city or Delaware county, there is none that has been as prominent as this one. It was at this house that the discussions for and against the removal of the county seat to West Chester took place, and later the organization of the county of Delaware was formed from part of Chester county.

It was erected in 1747, of bricks that were brought to this country from England, and is practically as it was when first erected. The title to the property is direct from William Penn, the first title being recorded May 31, 1686. General Washington often, in passing through Chester on his way to and from Mt. Vernon to the seat of government in New York and Philadelphia, stopped at this hotel. The ancient mahogany chairs which stood in the room occupied

by the first President, during these visits, are still preserved by the descendants of William Kerlin.

It was in this house that William Henry Harrison, after having received the Whig nomination for the Presidency, in 1840, and was returning from Washington, stopped for dinner and received the congratulations of the citizens of Chester. After dinner had been served wine, as usual on such occasions, was placed on the table. It was observed that Harrison drank water. Upon being pressed to take wine he rose and said:

"Gentlemen, I have refused twice to partake of the wine cup; that should have been sufficient. Though you press the cup to my lips not a drop shall pass their portals. I made a resolve when I started in life that I would avoid strong drink, and I have never broken it."

The registry of the old hotel with the names of Washington, Lafayette and Harrison, and many other distinguished people is there on record.

# RELICS IN CONVENTION.

Historic Museum and Educational Exhibits in the Court House.



**T**HE widespread interest manifested by the public in the recent exhibition of relics has induced the DAILY LOCAL NEWS to have the committee prepare an authentic and complete report of the same, with a full list of all articles exhibited, with the names of the depositors, and any facts of interest relating to them. It is very greatly regretted that lack of sufficient time only, prevented the collecting of a much larger number of objects, and the proper classification, arrangement, and labeling of them. Much of the success which attended the Museum Exhibit was due to the conscientious effort and efficient energy of Mrs. E. Dallett Hemphill and her daughters, in behalf of the Chester County Historical Society. It is to be hoped that at no distant day the Chester County Historical Society may be in a position to establish, in a fire-proof building, a permanent collection of historical objects that will serve to interest and instruct the public, and enlighten the coming generation, as well. **H. RUSH KERVEY**, Chairman.

## NAMES OF DEPOSITORS.

With List of Articles Exhibited in Alphabetical Order.

**MRS. GEORGE ACHELIS**.—Antique china cup and saucer, and pitcher, antique homespun coverlet.

**MRS. SARAH DARLINGTON AUGE**.—Old china dish, "grandmother's" fan, sampler, basket 1825, two antique wine glasses, two pewter porringers, china cups and saucers, pincushion, 1750; two pewter plates that were used at the wedding dinner of Stephen Darlington and Ann Mendenhall, in 1825, at which there were one hundred guests.

**MRS. DR. JACOB L. BAKER**.—The commission of John Sellman, by which he was appointed a Surgeon's mate in the Legion in the service of the United States. It is signed by George Washington, President of the United States. It bears date of March 19, 1793. John Sellman was Mrs. Baker's great-grandfather.

**CHARLES F. BAKER AND MRS. SAMUEL D. WALTON**, Philadelphia.—Sword, originally the property of Lieut. Thomas B. Davis, one of the first Lieutenants in the U. S. Navy, and who served with distinction throughout the War of 1812. Sabre,

used by Daniel S. Baker, who enlisted when 18 years of age, and served throughout the Revolutionary War in the cavalry service. He lost a leg at the Battle of Cowpens, S. C., and was under Washington at the time of the surrender of Yorktown. The depositors of these relics are Lieut. Davis' grandniece and grandnephew.

**EDWIN A. BARBER**.—Hard porcelain cup, salmon and gold decoration. Made at Judge Joseph Hemphill's manufactory, in Philadelphia, about 1835.

**HENRY C. BALDWIN & SON**.—Longitudinal section, polished, of a large limb of the osage orange tree, planted by Dr. Wm. Darlington, in 1821, and blown down in a storm in 1879. The largest tree of its kind north of Mason and Dixon's line.

**MISS MARY BALDWIN**.—Pewter platter and pitcher, two antique china plates, cups and saucers, piece antique dress material, silk shawl.

**MRS. WM. J. BALDWIN**.—Antique blue china plate.

**THE MISSES BOGLE**.—Flower pot and saucer; "pie crust edge," made at Vickers' Pottery. In-



Vickers.

Kersey.

Smedley.

### EARLY CHESTER COUNTY POTTERIES.

scription: "Uwchlan township, Chester county, 10 mo. 28, 1822." The above originally belonged to Sarah Mendenhall. (See illus.) Flower pot and saucer. Inscription: "John Vickers and Son, Lionville, Chester county, Pa." Also the verse:

"Is this a Christian world?

Are we a human race?

And can man from his brother's soul  
God's impress e'er efface?"

Handkerchief, Benjamin Harrison campaign; antique umbrella; old portrait of Anthony Bolmar.

**DOUGLASS E. BRINTON**, Oxford, Pa.—A collection of photographic views, taken by the depositor, of landmarks and scenes of the Battlefield of Brandywine. Among them are the house of John

Chad, ferryman at time of battle; Jefferis' Ford; Osborne's Hill; Washington's headquarters and Lafayette's headquarters at Chadds' Ford; route of Cornwallis' army; Dilworthtown; Birmingham Meeting House; scene where Lafayette fell; Strode's Mill; Seomelltown; General Howe's headquarters, etc. These views are admirably executed in every way, and are handsomely mounted. A most interesting series.

**J. WELDON BRINTON.**—Cartridge box; jug; dirk-knife and belt; brace; artillery sword; wool carder, spinning wheel, belonged to Rebecca Taylor, the mother of Bayard.

**THOMAS B. BROWN.**—History of America by Wrigley and Berriman for John Curtis, of Philadelphia, 1795, belonged to Mrs. Worthington Bradbury, grandmother of the depositor.



TUCKER AND HEMPHILL CHINA PITCHERS.

**JAMES H. BULL AND MISS ANNE BULL.**—Two hard porcelain pitchers, handsomely decorated with views, made about 1832 by Tucker and Hemphill, whose factory was the first in America to make hard porcelain ware. It was established in Philadelphia by William Ellis Tucker, in 1825. In 1832 Judge Joseph Hemphill became a partner. (See *illus.*) Chair, belonged to George Clymer, signer of the Declaration of Independence.

**EVANS BULLOCK.**—Curious old hand-made apple parer, large and heavy.

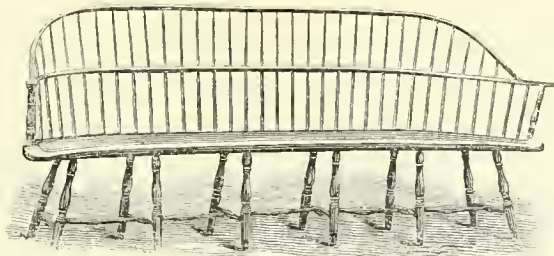
**HON. THOMAS S. BUTLER.**—The old Judges' bench, from the old Court House. On a piece of paper pasted underneath the seat of this old relic

occurs the following, signed by Judge J. Smith Futhrey: "A relic.—If you will step into the office of the Clerk of the Courts in West Chester, you will notice behind the counter an old settee, capable of holding five persons. This piece of furniture is probably one hundred and fifty years old. It was the seat occupied in Old Chester prior to the removal of the seat of justice to West Chester (1786). It came with the records to the new seat of justice and was occupied by the Judges here for a number of years. It eventually gave way to more comfortable seats, and was transferred to the second story of the Old Court House, where it was used until the erection of the present Court House (1847-8), when it found its way to the place it now occupies. If the old settee had a tongue it could probably relate many an amusing anecdote of the time when law was meted out by the old Justices of the Peace. A glance at the old records shows that they were more intent upon arriving at what they considered justice of the case than concerned about the legality of the proceedings. For the sake of the associations connected with it, the old bench should be properly taken care of and preserved by the County Commissioners."

**MISS CHEYNEY.**—Antique china plate, 1800.

**THOMAS CHEYNEY.**—Two antique pocket-books, embroidered, dated 1774 and 1775, respectively, one of which was the property of 'Squire Cheyney, a citizen of Thornbury township, who conveyed to Washington the intelligence that the British had crossed the Brandywine, and were approaching, and who, when his loyalty was questioned, said: "I would have you to know that I have this day's work as much at heart as e'er a blood of you."

**MISS REBECCA COMLEY.**—The desk at which John Comley sat to write his school books, so familiar to everybody a generation ago, is another curiosity no one should fail to see. It is a very plain, old style affair of walnut, and on it are three of his books, two of them being spelling books and one a school reader. They are the property of Miss Rebecca Comley, of West Chester, a granddaughter of John Comley. Other granddaughters residing in West Chester are Mrs. A. P. Reid and her sister, Miss Sara R. Bowman. Mrs. Joshua Howell, residing in East Bradford township, is another granddaughter. John Comley's home was at Byberry, Bucks county, but he was at one time a teacher in Westtown Friends' Boarding School.



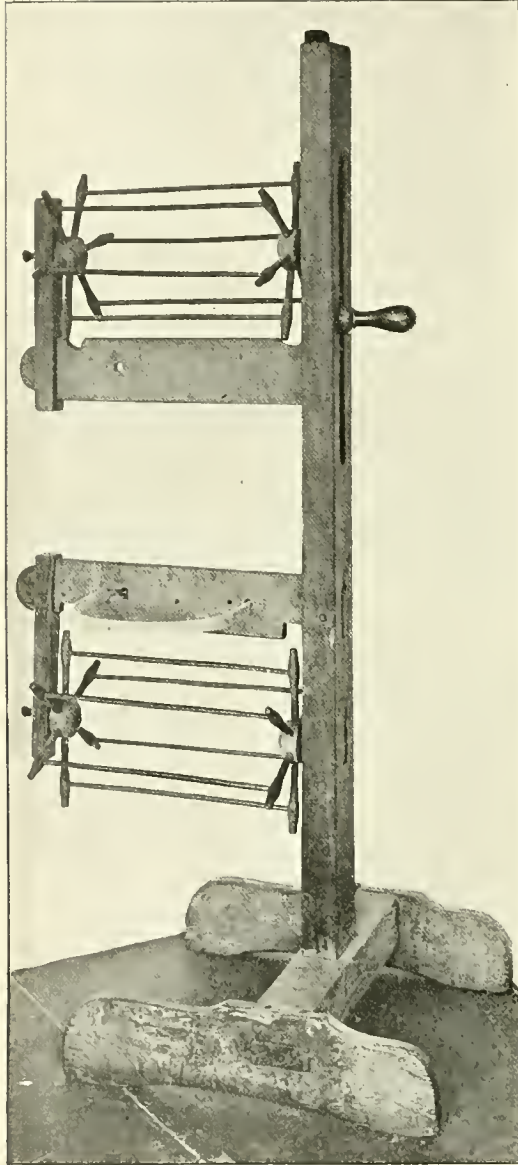
THE JUDGES' BENCH USED IN THE OLD COURT HOUSE.

The present owner, Judge Thomas S. Butler, <sup>82</sup> cured the bench several years ago from out a pile of rubbish in the Court House. Upon this bench Fitzpatrick, the "Sandy Flash" of Bayard Taylor's this bench Judge Isaac Darlington was carried on 27th, 1839.

MRS. THOMAS CONWAY, Lansdowne, Pa.—Sampler made by Maria P. Trego, in 1817, the mother of the depositor, and a great granddaughter of Benjamin Trego, conspicuous in the early history of West Chester. It contains the names of several members of the family.

GEORGE COPE.—Oil painting, by Peale, of Mrs. Ogle, of Philadelphia, a great-grandmother of the depositor.

MISS ELIZABETH COPE.—Antique beaver hat; two antique china plates and pewter platter.



OLD FLAX REEL.

GILBERT COPE.—Antique reticule, belonged to Mary Ann (Hoopes) Garrett; antique pitcher; iron

pot; pewter porringer; snuffers and tray; two blue china plates; basket, about 1800; antique pot; antique waffle iron; two toasters; spider, and very old cow bell; Emmor Bradley's commission as Deputy Postmaster of West Chester, 1809; old-time reel; belonged to the grandfather of the depositor; first petition for the Turk's Head Tavern, by Phineas Eachus, 1762; first petition for the Green Tree Tavern, by Matthew Scholfield, 1787; first petition for the (Black) Bear Tavern, by Samson Babb, 1789; two original seals of the province of Pennsylvania, 1699 and 1732; prototype of the marriage certificate of Abiah Taylor, 1694.

WILLIAM J. CORCORAN.—Pewter set, consisting of tea and coffee pots, bowl, sugar bowl, creamer. Family pieces.

MRS. R. T. CORNWELL.—Spinning wheel.

MISS S. A. COURT.—Old blue India platter.

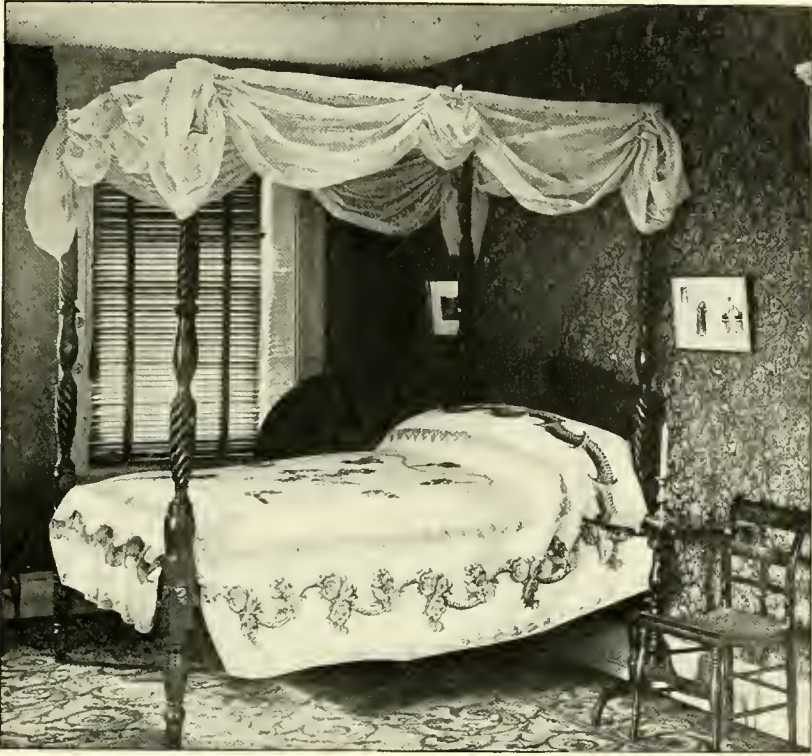
THE MISSES COX, Kennett Square, Pa.—Very large pewter platter, 20 1/4 inches in diameter; brass door knockers, both from the old Longwood mansion house, built by Jacob Pierce. (See illus. of platter in pottery group, page 78.)

MRS. THOMAS DARLINGTON.—Flint-lock gun; sabre with brass scabbard; wooden canteen, and leather hat, with "American Greys" painted on the front. These equipments were worn by Ziba Darlington, who was a soldier in the War of 1812. (See illus., page 78.) Early imprint: "The Merchants' Mapp, of Commeree (etc.);" by Lewis Roberts Marchant. Printed for Ralph Mabb, 1638. Illustrated. Book label of Ziba Darlington.

MRS. C. B. DARLINGTON.—Specimens of old silk badges. Sampler.

MISS ESTHER C. DARLINGTON.—Carved mahogany high post bedstead. This bedstead was made by Amos Darlington, cabinet maker, father of Mrs. Oliver Strode and Esther C. Darlington, about 1822, in a shop conducted by him on the west side of High street, three doors south of Miner (still standing). The bedstead was occupied by General Lafayette, on the night of August 26, 1825, when he remained over night at the home of Ziba Pyle, northeast corner Gay and Church streets. The coverlet, while not then used on the bedstead, was made about that time, and is a particularly fine specimen of embroidery. (See page 73.) Antique white tea pot. Castleford, (Eng.), ware. This ware was the forerunner of Parian, and was manufactured in England about 1800. This specimen belonged to Esther (Baily) Clemson, wife of Joseph Clemson, and granddaughter of Joel and Betty Baily. (See p. 74.) China plate, English tortoise-shell ware; antique china pitcher; pair silver candlesticks; small brass preserving kettle, known to have been used at the time of the Battle of Brandywine, Sept. 11, 1777. It was owned by Benjamin and Hannah Powell, who lived at Wister's Ford, now Lenape; antique glass fluid lamp; Boston teacup and saucer, used by Hannah Brinton Darlington at the time of the Boston Tea Party. Her father, Edward Brinton, was then Provincial Judge, and colonists were not allowed the use of tea. On one occasion, when Hannah had a tea party, and her father was seen approaching, the table cover was lifted and all put into a Jough trough, from which but three of the dozen cups and saucers were taken unbroken. (See illus., page 74.)

MRS. ELWOOD DARLINGTON.—Antique cake tray.



LAFAYETTE BEDSTEAD—ANTIQUE EMBROIDERED COVERLET.  
(Owned by Esther C. Darlington.)

MRS. SMEDLEY DARLINGTON.—Large antique copper coffee urn. English.

MISS SARAH DAVIS.—Two books. English imprint, 1718. Delft plate about 1750; blue china platter.

FRANK DAVIS.—Antique iron pot. Book of Virgil, 1753.

SAMUEL L. DICKS.—Book, "The Young Millwright and Miller's Guide," by Oliver Evans, Phila., 1795.

MRS. A. M. DOBSON.—Half-dozen old English soft porcelain cups and saucers in rose design. Lustre cream pitcher.

MRS. GEORGE DUTTON.—Antique bureau cover.

A. M. EACHUS.—Antique brass top shovel, tongs and andirons, belonged to Virgil Eachus, grandfather of depositor; antique china pitcher, teapot and two plates; old iron pot.

WILLIAM EACHUS.—Antique bottle, tanned human skin; pair tin husking thimbles.

DR. J. P. EDGE.—Hanging tin candle box; dutch oven.

MRS. H. M. EDWARDS AND MISS MAY HARTMAN.—Military coat, War of 1812; silver watch, belonged to Major George Hartman, the 1, who was the father of General Hartman. It cost \$800, in Continental money. Now owned by Dr. Livingston Hartman, of Pittston; photograph of Joshua Weaver, Burgess of West Chester in 1804, and again in 1810; book; knee buckles; snuff boxes; silver knitting sheath and scissors hook; silver

tankard, belonged to the Trego family, who emigrated to America in 1650, after the revocation of the Edict of Nantes; gilt figure of Napoleon; bronze medal of Napoleon; embroidered cap crown; Chinese teapot, belonged to Mrs. Christiana Schupne Hench, wife of Peter Hench, of Yellow Springs, Chester county; photograph of General George Hartman, War of 1812, taken from a Daguerreotype; oil painting of Edith Trego White, daughter of Benjamin Trego, who gave to Chester county the ground on which the Court House stands; oil painting by Otis of Mrs. Edith Poile May, a granddaughter of Benjamin Trego. The records kept by General Hartman during the War of 1812 and a variety of other papers and private property belonging to him are in this exhibit. They attract much attention.

MISS ELDRIDGE.—Antique iron axe.

PIERSON EMBREE.—Old cake turner, roughly made from an oak shingle; antique china sugar bowl and cream pitcher, candlestick; pewter platter; frying pan, with three-foot handle.

MRS. GEORGE EMBREE.—Flax reel.

MISS MARY EVERHART.—Chair from the old West Chester Court House; old leather fire bucket.

MRS. MILES FINEGAN.—Antique set shovel and tongs.

JAMES FINN.—Cane belonged to William Webb, with name plate, and date, 1731; old French revolver.

MISS IDA V. FOSTER.—A picture of Sergeant Wallace, when at the age of 104. Sergeant Wallace

claimed the distinction of having rescued General Lafayette at the Battle of Brandywine, after he was wounded, and carried him two miles on his back to a place of safety. He escaped the massacre at Paoli and lived to an extreme old age.

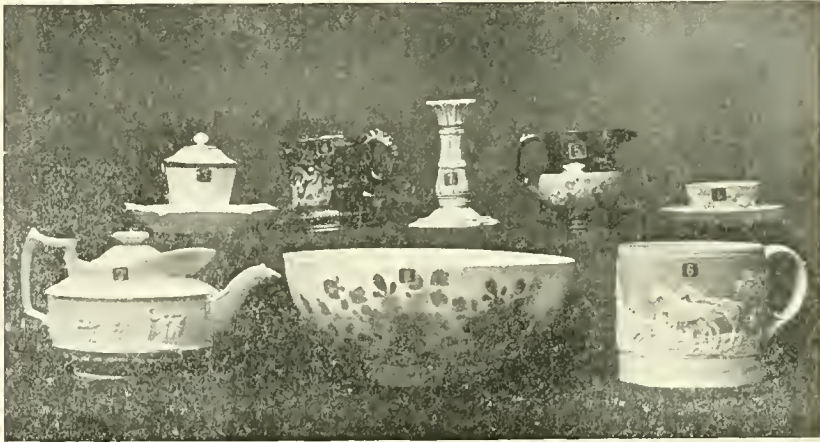
**JOSEPH M. FRONEFIELD**, Wayne, Pa.—William Penn deed, with the seal attached, framed.

**MRS. H. P. GARRETT**—Pewter porringer, antique pocket book, homespun linen coverlet.

Philadelphia where it was exhibited at the Centennial Exhibition of 1876, and the wood sold as relics.

**MISS VIRGINIA C. HAWLEY**—Old time doll baby; blue Staffordshire platter, "Landing of Lafayette," New York, 1825.

**ROBERT L. HAYES**—Old hewing axe, pewter porringer, two sickles, antique spoon, large cannon ball, colored sketch of Nathan T. Hayes, Confederate



Washington Mustard Cup and Tray (Mrs. E. B. Moore), Castleford Tea Pot and Boston Tea Cup and Saucer (Miss E. C. Darlington), Lustre Pitcher and Mug, China Candle Stick, Wedgwood Mug and General Cunningham Delft Punch Bowl (Kervey Collection).

**MRS. JAMES GASKILL**, Swarthmore, Pa.—Design in paper cutting, made in West Chester in 1845 by Martha Ann Honeywell, a native of New York City, who was born without arms. She acquired such use of common scissors, by taking them in her mouth, as to be able to cut out of paper the most curious and difficult pieces, such as likenesses of distinguished persons, flowers, landscapes, etc., and even the Lord's Prayer, the latter to resemble copper plate engraving. She visited West Chester in the year as given above, and was liberally patronized.

**MRS. JOEL S. GILFILLAN**—Antique cane, belonged to Judge Isaac Darlington.

**D. M. GOLDBER**—Pewter pitcher, old oaken bucket, warming pan, six grape shot, antique china plate, blue Staffordshire "Cupid" plate, thorn cup, pewter hot water pan, pair snow shoes.

**JEROME B. GRAY**—Antique comb back chair, period of George Washington.

**CHARLES M. GRIMM**—Silver watch, belonged to the eminent botanist, John Bartram. It is of silver, and an expensively made time piece. It is an heirloom of the Grimm family.

**NEWTON GROFF**—Antique Chinese plates in bird design.

**MRS. R. W. HAGERTY**—Sampler, showing a landscape scene, worked in colored silk by Margaret Sheward, in 1795.

**NELSON HAMMOND**—Photograph on glass, of Wm. F. Wyers, taken while he conducted the New London Academy.

**DAVIS HAUSE**—White oak cane, made from a piece of a vessel sunk in Lake Erie in the War of 1812. The vessel was raised in 1875 and taken to

bond with coupons, two pairs of handcuffs, print of John Hickman, old farm gong, old time colored pictures of Noah's Ark, etc.

**MRS. JOHN C. HEED**—Hessian hat, heavy leather with brass trimmings, visor and eagle gone; (see illus.) pewter tobacco box and cover, originally owned by Samuel Cope, great-great-grandfather of the depositor (See Pewter Group, page 78); pair of diminutive pantaloons, antique, originally worn by



HESSIAN HAT.



MEMORIAL OF COMMODORE PERRY.  
(Cut loaned by Edwin A. Barber.)

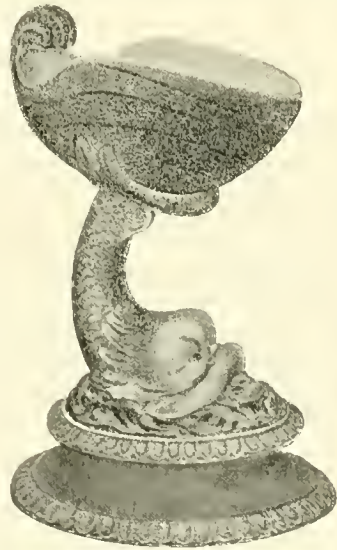
Samuel C. Darlington; stone jug, made at Jesse Kersey's pottery in Chester Valley about 1830; (see p. 70); antique bread tray, belonged to Rachel (Cope) Powell; repeating rifle, carried by John Walters "from Atlanta to the Sea." He was an uncle of John C. Heed. Irish drinking cup; homespun bed cover; China gravy bowl and saucer, wedding present to Edith (Green) Darlington, 1821; lustre pitcher and bowl, originally in the Cope family; Indian moccasins; antique purses, two bags, two samplers and two pocket books; leather fire bucket, marked "Neptune Fire Co., James Powell;" hank of flax thread, spun by Nancy King for the Darlington family, in 1830; print, Penn's Treaty with the Indians.

**CLIFFORD HEMPHILL.**—Photograph of monument at Antietam bridge, where Col. Bell was killed.

**MRS. ELIZABETH A. HEMPHILL.**—Antique China plates, old Indian blue teapot; antique fire screen, figure of a deer and an old oak tree, made by Martha Bryant Hemphill; mahogany spice chest, used as a medicine case at the time of the Battle of Brandywine; large China platter, belonged in 1769 to Nathan and Penninah Jefferis. Mrs. Abram Still furnishes the following history of it: "Near Birmingham, Grandmother Jefferis had just finished baking and this platter was filled with turnovers for the children when the Hessians appeared and ate up all the food in the house. She rode horseback to the mill for more flour, and again filled the platter when the Americans arrived, and gladly wore they food, but it seemed a long time for the children to wait. Grandfather Jefferis was hidden in the cellar."

**MRS. E. DALLETT HEMPHILL.**—(In the Historical Society's exhibit), two blue Staffordshire platters; memorial of Commodore Perry (See Illus.);

silver tablespoon, belonged to George and Ann (Grubb) Sinclair, of Chester county. The latter was the mother of Colonel Joseph McClellan. High case clock, brass face, mahogany case, originally owned by Col. Joseph McClellan, about 1814; made by Isaac



MAJOLICA FRUIT STAND.—Phoenixville Pottery.  
(Cut loaned by Edwin A. Barber.)

Thomas, of Westtown township. Antique hall chair; three rush bottom chairs, decorated in gold; five antique chairs, various patters; comb back



LA GRANGE, RESIDENCE OF LAFAYETTE.  
(Cut loaned by Edwin A. Barber.)

chair, Washington period; Dutch table of black walnut; Dutch kitchen; two old pistols; brass shovel, tongs and andirons; antique fluting iron; nine brass candlesticks; two pewter plates; specimens of U. S. currency, framed; two pewter hot water plates; blue Ridgway platter; view of Pennsylvania Hospital; punch glass, belonged to Joseph Champion, of Gloucester, New Jersey; old time sleigh bells; two rose jars; collection of early prints; pair saddle bags, be-

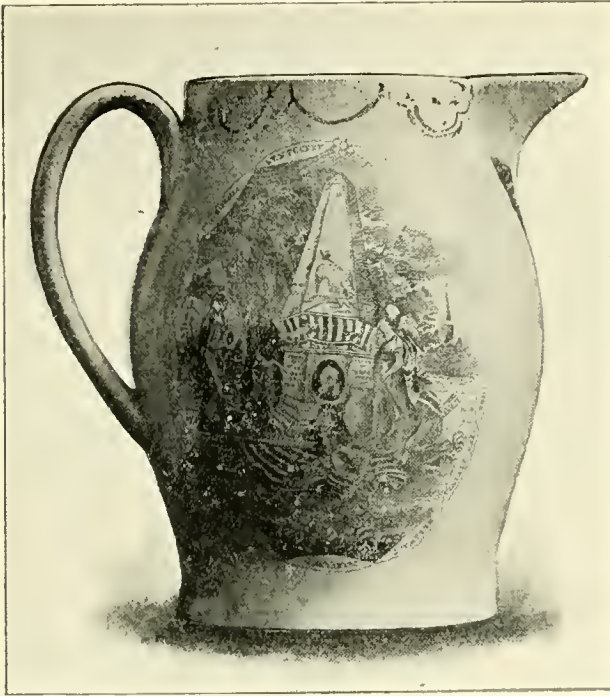


PORTRAIT OF LAFAYETTE.  
(From a French print.)

longed to Isaac Mickle, born in 1758, great-grandfather of the depositor; pair antique decanters, goblet and four wine glasses, belonged to the preceding; antique carriage lamp; lustré pitcher; pair bellows; pair wool cards; antique brooch; powder horn, belonged to Isaac Mickle; miniature in frame of Captain John W. Mickle; knitting sheath, scissors

hook, cushion ring, amber heads, antique embroidery, antique silver candle stick, belonged to Rebecca (Morgan) Mickle; embroidered pocket book, belonged to Benjamin Morgan, of Gloucester; antique leather pocket book, belonged to Robinson Tyndale, grandfather of depositor; three antique silver watches, belonged to Isaac Mickle, Jr., and son, of Gloucester; knee buckles, watch seal and cuff buttons; medallion of Washington, cast in iron; dagger, once owned by Napoleon. His niece, Charlotte Bonaparte, gave the dagger to Captain John W. Mickle, of the "Ruth and Mary," in 1820, who was a resident of Gloucester, N. J.; from him it came to the depositor. Autograph letters from Presidents John Adams, Pierce and Buchanan; pair sleeve buttons, made from the metal ornaments of an epaulet and from knee buckles, presented by General Lafayette to Col. Joseph McClellan; straw hat, skillfully made by a Southern woman after General Hunter and his troops had laid waste everything about her home in West Virginia. The band is made of an old necktie. Old candle stand; two brass candle sticks, once owned by James Greenleaf, partner of Robert Morris; hard porcelain China cup, made by Hemphill and Tucker, Philadelphia, about 1835, salmon and gold bands; India China blue sauce boat; antique painted glass tumbler and fire box, from Hoopes Bros. sale; tea caddy or box, belonged to Ann Stevenson, who married William Biles, in 1725. She was a granddaughter of Samuel Jennings, of New Jersey, Governor before the Proprietary; antique knife box, belonged to Mary Chapman Morgan, grandmother of the depositor; antique wooden mortar and pestle, belonged to Elizabeth Hutchins Thorn, Burlington county, N. J.; silhouette of Rebecca Mickle, daughter of Benjamin and





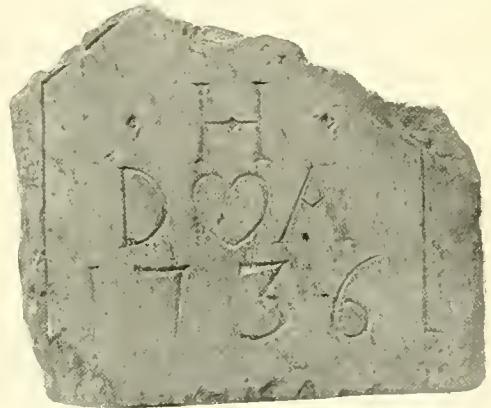
Washington (Liverpool) Pitcher—Property of Charles H. Pennypacker, Esq.

Mary (Champion) Mickle, of Gloucester, N. J.; wrought iron candlestick, 47 inches high, with adjustable arms, 29 inches in length (See page 86); one sword and one cutlass, 1812, carried by Lieut. John W. Mickle; coat, chapeau and plume, worn by Lieut. John W. Mickle; Indian darts found in Chester county by Isaac M. Hemphill; book bound by William Hemphill, grandfather of Judge Joseph Hemphill. William Hemphill learned the trade of book binding in Wilmington; afterwards studying law with Joseph Hemphill, he was admitted to the Chester County Bar in 1807. It is said to be the earliest specimen of inlaid binding and tooling done in America. It has marbled edges and gilt ornamentation on its cover. It is valuable as a specimen of the best art of its time in this country. Print of Decatur; paper cutting, by Maria Ellett, of Salem, New Jersey, an old Westtown pupil, in her 81st year; tandem whip, belonged to John W. Mickle, a Quaker who wore a queue and drove tandem; manuscript verse by Lindley Murray, written to Isaac Mickle, of Camden; antique wooden bowl, two snuffers and tray; antique homespun bed coverlet, belonged to Rebecca Morgan Mickle; three pieces of antique bed hangings, belonged to grandparents of depositor; invitation to James Buchanan's inaugural ball; campaign badges about 1850; seven pieces of antique clothing, belonged to ancestors of the depositor; pair antique slippers, worn by Rebecca Morgan Mickle at her wedding in 1821; pair antique shoes, belonged to Isaac Mickle; tin candle box, two China gravy boats, sugar bowl and creamer.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY OF CHESTER COUNTY—The Old Turk's Head Tavern Sign. The

sign was secured several years ago from the Misses Kenney, former owners of the Hotel, by Prof. Daniel W. Howard for the Chester County Historical Society. It was painted by Thomas Sully, an eminent English painter, born in 1783, who emigrated to America in 1792. He was a portrait painter and for a time resided in Philadelphia. Among the portraits painted by him were full length portraits of Thomas Jefferson, General Lafayette, Decatur and others. He died Nov. 5, 1872. (See cut of Turk's Head Sign on page 64.) Date stone. Serpentine. Taken from a wall of the Turk's Head Hotel, at a time when alterations were being made. Marks: "I. H., 1769." The initials are those of John Hoopes, who erected the building in the year given. There are three compasses and a heart inscribed on it. (See cut on page 65.) Date stone. Serpentine. Marks: "H. (a heart) D. A. 1736." Taken from the oldest house in West Chester, only a part of which, however, is now standing. It was built in the year as above given by Daniel Hoopes. The initials, H. D. A., are those of Daniel Hoopes and Alice, his wife. Presented by Halliday Jackson, Jr.

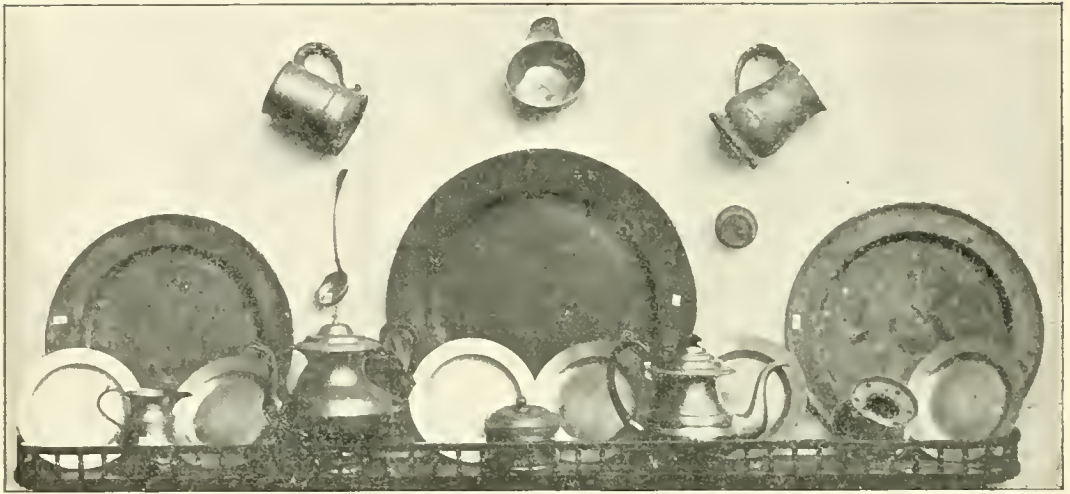
Very large copy of the great seal of Chester county, 1683, painted on muslin by Miss Rebecca Hemphill. Antique pistol, grape shot, army buckle, War of the Rebellion; decorated east iron stove plate, inscription, "William Brenssin 1754;" a list of the inhabitants of West Chester who were living in 1800; commission of John Evans, Judge of Supreme Court of Pennsylvania, in 1777; iron bolts from the old Turk's Head Tavern sign; Hessian knife; complete muster roll of Company I, 68th



OLD DATE STONE.

The oldest house in West Chester, only a part of which is now standing, was built by Daniel Hoopes in 1736. It has been so remodeled that but little of the original house now remains. The initials, H. D. A., are those of Daniel Hoopes and Alice, his wife. It is now in the possession of the Chester County Historical Society.

Regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, which was commanded by Captain Paul F. Whitehead; minutes of Henry Clay Club of West Chester, 1843-1849. A large and very handsome banner carried at that



PEWTER MUGS, PORRINGER, LADLE, BEAKER, PLATTERS, PLATES, COFFEE POTS, TOLACCO BOX COVER, INK STAND, CREAMER, ET.

time is owned by the Washington Townsend family; volunteer roll of Captain Isaiah Price's Company, 97th Regiment, Pennsylvania; autograph of General Lafayette, and letter from his nephew, Laseyrie; steel plate of Bolmar's or Dr. Jesse Cook's old school building; a draft of William Penn's Second Manor, afterwards called Steming Manor. The larger part of it is now New Garden township. Presented by Ezra Michiner, of New Garden.

#### CONTINENTAL HOME.

Two apartments are fitted up in one end of Court Room No. 1 to represent a Continental home. There is the old-fashioned fire place in each room, but of only moderate proportions. In one of the rooms which represents the kitchen the fireplace is adorned by an old-fashioned crane on which a copper kettle swings. The andirons are in place and a revolving spit which is now the property of the Chester County Historical Society is in place before where the fire ought to be. An old-fashioned three-legged pot and other utensils stand near. Three old chairs, one of them an arm chair, occupy the room. An old dough tray is another reminder of the olden time. A hand bellows hangs at the side of the mantle piece. A great variety of pewter dishes and plates are arranged on the mantle piece. An old flint lock musket with bayonet affixed is on the wall over the mantle piece, and another flint lock musket without bayonet stands in one corner of the room. An old candle stand stands near. It has a centre shaft, standing up three or four feet from the floor, with arms containing two joints each and a candle stick on the end. By straightening out or swinging the arms about the position of the candles can be very materially changed. The adjoining room is fitted up as a sitting room. Among its furniture is a grandfather's clock, made by Isaac Thomas, of Westtown, about the time of the Revolution. A corner cupboard in this room contains a collection of rare dishes of various patterns. Looking glasses, chairs and all articles in the room are of the style in use two or three generations ago. The construction and arrangement of these rooms

were the work of Vincent Gilpin and Miss Rebecca Hemphill, of West Chester.

Blue prints of proposed new counties to be formed from Chester, Berks and Montgomery; photographs of New Garden and "Grove" Meeting Houses.

"Orderly Book, Containing the General and Regimental Orders during the term of service of the

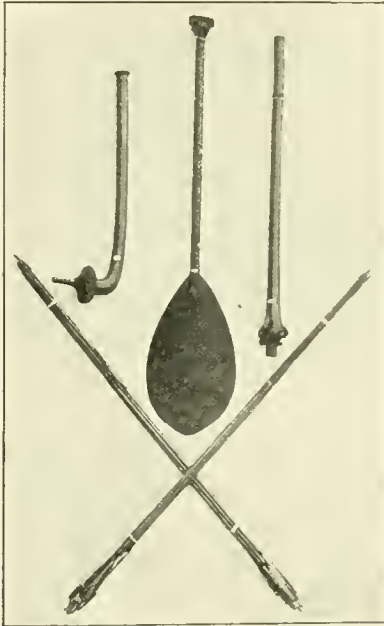


Ziba Darlington's 1812 War Accoutrements.  
(See description, page 72.)

Second Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteer Light Infantry. Kept by William Darlington, Major First Battalion, Second Regiment, Penna. Vols., Light Inf., Camps Snyder and Marcus Hook, 1814." Con-

tains complete list of roll of the officers, non-commissioned officers and privates. The name of Isaac Darlington occurs as Adjutant.

**THOMAS H. MONTGOMERY**—(In Historical Society's exhibit)—Collection of early autograph letters of distinguished Americans: Com. Paul Jones, autograph letter to the Governor of Georgia, 15 Oct., 1781; Gen. Henry Lee, "Light Horse Harry," to Hon. James Wilson, 13 June, 1795; Thomas Jefferson, Monticello, 31 April, 1824; Gen. Arthur St. Clair to Judge Wilson, advising the capitulation



East Indian Paddle, Fijian War Club, East Indian War Club, Brazilian Arrows.

of Yorktown, 19 Oct., 1781; James Monroe to publisher of *Federalist*; John Penn, autograph to document; Benjamin Franklin, autograph to document; John Adams, autograph letter from Paris, 24 June, 1780; Gen. Anthony Wayne to Judge Wilson, 20 May, 1789, applying for office; Gen. Washington, two autograph letters, one signed, to B. A. White, relating to a contribution for yellow fever sufferers, Jan., 1794; autograph poems of Bayard Taylor, R. H. Stoddard and Geo. H. Baker, 15 Oct., 1868, on occasion of the golden wedding of Bayard Taylor's parents; first number of the *New York Herald*, May 6, 1835; Louis Napoleon Plebiscitum Votes or Ballots; *Qui, Non*, 8 May, 1870.

**SAMUEL G. AND NAT. HICKMAN**—Very old carved paddle from the East Indies (See Illus. above); wooden caster with the original set of bottles; family piece, two old three-color Delft plates, old India china bowl (See page 83); Indian knife sheath, beaded; old powder horn, pewter coffee pot.

**ELLWOOD HICKMAN**—Antique walnut box, inlaid with holly, with date, 1739; lot of early almanacs.

**MRS. F. S. HICKMAN**—Sampler, belonged to John and Phebe Stern; boxwood sewing bird; dimi-

nutive shirt, made by Mrs. L. W. H. Kervey about 1850; tri-color Delft plate, about 1700.

**JESSIE HICKMAN**—Three early deeds.; two 10 inch blue "Pilgrim" plates; sampler, antique table cover; three pewter platters; pewter bed pan; wool winder; large pewter coffee urn, said to have been used at Chadds' Ford during 1776; bead reticule.

**WILLIAM HOBBS**—Copy of the *Ulster County (N. Y.) Gazette*, Jan. 4, 1800, contains notice of the death of General Washington.

**J. ROBERTS HOFFMAN**—Antique chair.

**DAVID HOOD**—Antique wedding vest of silk, with high standing collar of same material; silk stockings, used in May, 1810.

**ELLWOOD D. HOOPES**—Shell from General Wayne's camp ground, at Valley Forge.

**MRS. DR. HOOPES**—Antique needle book and sampler.

**SAMUEL H. HOOPES**—Spinning wheel, sampler, pewter porringer and plate, Continental money.

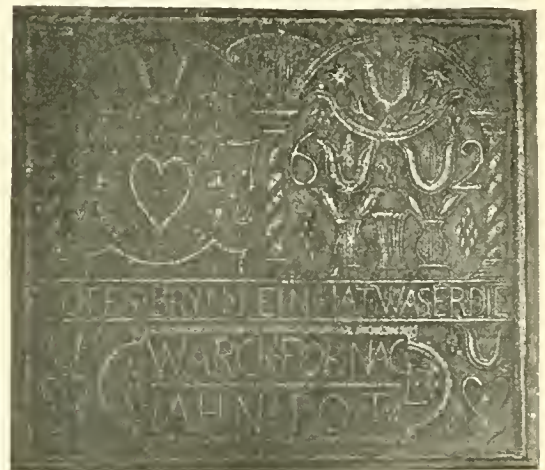
**PHILENA HOOPES**—Dictionary, 1794, belonged to Isaac Morrow; Continental money; antique blue China plate, cups and saucers, and teapot.

**MRS. H. H. HORSTMAN**—Old document, an exemplification of a recovery suffered by Aaron Hoopes and Ann, his wife, and Joseph Garrett and Charity, his wife, at August Term, 1772; patent issued to Joseph Gibbons and Hannah Collins, Executors of Henry Collins, deceased, for 75 acres in Chester county; diagram of the House of Representatives in 1850.

**MRS. J. R. HOSKINS**—Antique pin cushion; copy book, 1800, containing fancy writing by Samuel Cheever; old Bible; Thomas Chalkley's Journal, 1800.

**WILLIAM E. HOUSE**—Old and fine steel engraving of General Anthony Wayne, framed, belonged in the Caldwell family.

**JOHN HUEY**—Decorated cast iron stove plate, made at Warwick Furnace, Chester county, in 1762. Inscription, "Gotes. Bryn. Lein. Hat. Waser. Die." The correct German would be, "Gottes Brunlein hat Wasser die," or "The Lord's springs hath waters that"—the sentence remains unfinished. (See Illus.)



Decorated Stove Plate, Warwick Furnace, 1762.

MRS. MARY JACKSON—Antique burning or sun glass; old basket made by Indian Hannah about 1790 for Thomas and Mary Hickman, grandparents of the depositor.

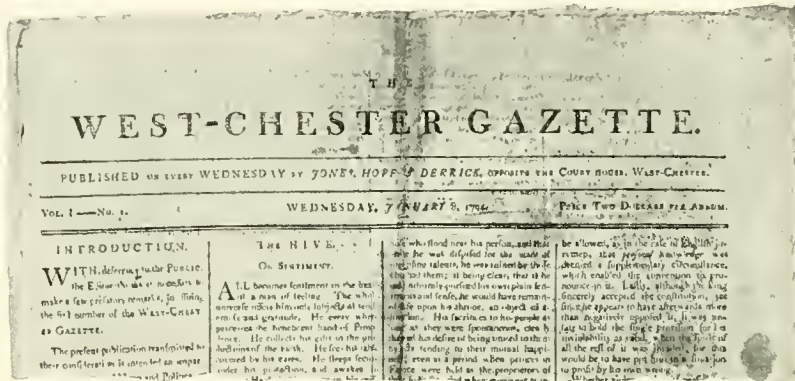
MRS. LYDIA T. JEFFERIS—Hackle, flax and tow; eathenware collander, made at Enos Smedley's pottery, West Chester.

MISS MARY A. JENKINSON—Old print of Washington and his family; two antique glass decanters, belonged to ancestors of depositor; large pewter platter; pewter porringer, belonged to Edith.

will naturally be raised,—why should we hesitate to mention a Sharples and a Webb."

The printing office was located in the rooms now occupied by Charles H. Pennypacker, Esq., in the second story, south side, of the old bank building on High street, which portion was built in 1792, by William Sharples.

Orderly book of the Republican Artillerists of Chester County, 1817. The articles of Association are signed by I. D. Barnard and Wm. Darlington. In the list of 60 members are the names of Ziba



THE FIRST CHESTER COUNTY NEWSPAPER.

daughter of Elizabeth Passmore, about 1800; antique fan and enameled copper snuff box (See page 87), belonged to Sarah Harlan, of Kennett township, about 1800.

A. ANIMUN KELLY, Malvern, Pa.—Autograph letters from actors, Chas. Kean, Macready, Jmius Brutus Booth, also letters from Horace Greeley and others; badge of mourning worn at funeral of Gen. Wm. Henry Harrison; shell necklace, stamps, ferns, etc., from the Hawaiian Islands; Chester county cotton from Mississippi seed; early United States stamps on covers.

MRS. JOHN N. KIRK—Print of Gen. U. S. Grant and family; spray of flowers, colored, made from fish scales.

MRS. KEARNEY—Homespun linen towel and handkerchief; two antique China platters and four plates.

H. RUSH KERVEY—(In the Historical Society's Exhibit)—"The West Chester Gazette. Published on every Wednesday by Jones, Hoff & Derrick, opposite the Court House, West Chester, Vol. I, No. 1. Wednesday, January 8, 1794. Price two dollars per annum." (See Illus.) This is the only copy known to be in existence, of the first paper published in Chester county. It is a four-page paper, and when unfolded is 21 1/4 inches wide by 17 1/2 inches long, and contains sixteen columns of reading matter. It gives no news of a local character. The closing paragraph of the column of introduction, states that:

"The Editor returns his most grateful acknowledgements to those who have honored him with their patronage.—The unbounded exertions of two respectable inhabitants of this place, whose names modestly forbids us to mention, also claim our warmest sentiments of gratitude; for to their labors the advancement of this paper is much indebted. Yet why should we keep it a secret,—when the reader's anticipation

who should see his person, and that he was disposed for the sake of a fine salary, he was not to be seen; it being clear, that if he did not return, he would have remained in the office, an object of derision. His friends, to his surprise, did not have the least objection to his going, and they were soon after, seen in the street, tending to their mutual happiness; even as a period when persons of this nature, had so long been known to be absent, and who were never seen again."

Darlington, Robert Sproul, Jesse Good, Eber Worthington, David Meconkey, Cromwell Pearce, and others. An Act to re-charter certain banks, (etc.), and rules and regulations for the government of the Bank of Chester County. 1824. Svo. pp. 26. Map of Chester county, 1830. Constructed by virtue of an Act of the Legislature of Pennsylvania. By James Hindman. 21 1/2x17. Folded and bound. This is a second edition of the first map of the county. It gives the various townships, their length and breadth, roads and places of note in the county. Deed, John Filson to Robert Filson, September 8, 1787. John Filson was a native of Chester county, who, with Daniel Boone, emigrated to Kentucky. He was killed by the Indians. His was the first History of Kentucky ever written. It was printed in Wilmington, Delaware, and is now very scarce. Arbustrum Americanum; "The American Grove, or, an Alphabetical Catalogue of Forest Trees and Shrubs. Natives of the United States, (etc. etc.)" By Humphry Marshall, Philadelphia. MDCCCLXXXV." Svo. pp. 174.

"Memoir of Robert Baily, from his infancy up to December, 1821. (etc.) Written by himself, Richmond; Printed for the Author, 1822." Portrait. Svo. pp. 348. Illustrated. Robert Baily was of a Chester county family. His mother's name was Margaret Kile. The book is a curious one and scarce. "Florula Costrica: A Catalogue of the Phaenogamous Plants, Native and Naturalized, Growing in the Vicinity of the Borough of West Chester, (etc.) West Chester, Penn. 1826." This copy bears the autograph of David Townsend, and has numerous pages of annotations by him. "Ximena; or The Battle of the Sierra Morena, and other poems. By James Bayard Taylor, (etc.) Philadelphia. 1844." This little work was the "maiden" effort of Bayard Taylor, and was prepared and sold by him at 50c.

per volume, to raise money enough to defray his expenses to Europe. The copy exhibited bears the following on the fly leaf: "Jos. R. Chandler, Esq. With the respect of J. B. Taylor. "Paul Redding; A Tale of The Brandywine. By T. B. Read. Boston: 1845." 120 pp. Enameled boards. This little book of poems was the first published effort of the gifted poet. Few copies are known. Family Record; Containing the Settlement, and Genealogy to the present time, of the Sharpless Family, in North America. With an Appendix, Containing Memorials of the Dying Sayings, (etc.) By Joseph Sharpless, Philada. 1816. 12mo. 132 pages. This was one of the first family Records published in America. Kimber, Conrad & Co.'s Almanac, for the year of our Lord 1806, (etc.) By Enoch Lewis, Philadelphia. 44 pages.



CHAMBERS' LABOR NOTE. (Kervey Collection).

"Twelve minutes Bethania Manual Labor and Manufacturing Community. The bearer is entitled to receive, on demand, twelve minutes labor, or an equivalent in Goods, the product of the Community, at the Magazine.

Bethania, 1842-9-14.

REUBEN CHAMBERS, President."

It is printed and is ornamented with an old style railroad train and other engraved work. In general it has the appearance of the old shiplasters. It was issued by Reuben Chambers, a native of London Grove, Chester county, an eccentric character, who moved to Lancaster county, near the Gap, and gave to the place, until then, known as Puddingtown, the name of Bethania. These notes were issued in all denominations, and were fixed at a rate of five cents per hour for labor. They are now very rare.

Original sheet of Shiplasters, Issued by the Borough of West Chester, Pa. They are printed upon sheets of six each; three of the denomination of 25 cents, two of 12 1-2 cents, and one of 6 1-4 cents. Each note is 2 1-2x6 inches in size, and bears the following inscription: "Corporation of West Chester—The holder of this certificate is entitled to receive from the Burgesses and Inhabitants of the Borough of West Chester, twenty-five cents, bearing interest of one per cent, per annum, payable one year after date, in current Bank Notes, at the office of the Treasurer, in West Chester, being part of a loan authorized by said Corporation." They bear the date, "West Chester; Pa. September 30, 1837." The design is about the same in each, except in that of the 12 1-2 cent note, which has a vignette of Washington.

Microscopical writing. The Lord's Prayer, written in a circle one-fourth inch in diameter, equal to 28,305 words on a postal card. Also personal letters. By Rita Kittridge, microscopical writer of

Belfast, Maine, written when 78 years of age, without a microscope, using only glasses of the usual style. Joseph T. Thomson, of Willistown township, who, over half a century ago, was prominent as a teacher in the public schools of this section, was an expert at microscopical writing, being able to write



(1) "What Is It?" (2) Tooth Extractor, (3) Hand-made Hammer (1795), (4) Bullet Mold (1850), (5) Brass Spoon Molds, (6) Flint Box and Flint, (7) Early Ironing Peg, (8) Revolutionary Knife, (9) Antique Writing Fork, (10) Antique Knife and Fork, (11) Brass Writing Sand Box, (12) Wrought Iron Spike (John Sharpless' house, 1700), (13) Wrought Iron Nail (Abiah Taylor's house, 1734), (14) Indian Arrow Point, Iron.



Painted Porcelain Door Knob, Tri-color Delft Plate, Staffordshire Shepherd Plate and Tall Teapot, Four-color Delft Bowl, Phoenixville Majolica Vase, White China Teapot, green and lustre decoration (Kervey collection), two tri-color Delft Plates, old India Bowl (Hickman Brothers).

the Lord's Prayer on the space of an old five-cent piece, and this he did with a quill pen.

West Chester's first Library Register, 1815-24. Folio. The first three names registered are as follows: William Darlington, for Scottish Chiefs, 2 Vols; Eusebius Townsend, for Adam's Philosophy. Eli K. Price, for Robertson's America. The Literary Museum or Monthly Magazine for January, 1797, (etc.) Printed by Derrick & Sharpless. (West Chester, Pa.) And sold by the Principal Book-sellers in Philadelphia. Price, one-quarter of a dollar. Svo. pp. 56. Same for Feb'y, March, April, May and June. Total number issued, six. Three illustrated. About 500 copies were struck off when the enterprise was abandoned. Philip Derrick was the son of Christian and Mary Ann Derrick, who came to this country about 1763. Philip came to West Chester about 1793, and in 1794, in partnership with Jones & Hoff, started a printery in the old bank building on North High street.

Constitution of the Fame Fire Company of West Chester. (Instituted Feb. 9, 1838.) West Chester, 1851. 12mo. pp. 11.

Constitution of the Good Will Fire Company of West Chester, 1841. pp. 8.

Full length colored portrait of Gen'l Lafayette, in military costume. From lithograph by Duval, about 1830. Mill scene in water colors, painted by Bayard Taylor when a boy at the Village Record Office. Land grant. Signed by Thomas McKean, a native of Chester county; Governor Pennsylvania; Signer Declaration of Independence; President of the State of Delaware; President of Congress in 1781; Publisher of the laws of Pennsylvania; and Chief Justice of Pennsylvania in 1777. The Lafayette Almanac for 1825. Contains Biographical notice of General Lafayette. Portrait on cover. 36 pages. The Last Will and Testament of General Washington, with a Schedule of His Property directed to be Sold. Phila. Svo. 26 pages. Petition for bridge over the Brandywine at Street Road, 1805. Marriage certificate of John Baily, son of Joel and Lidia Pusey, of Marlborough, 1729. The Figure of the Mariner's Compass. A design in pen and ink, 6 1-2x8, artistically done, by Henry Miller, dated West Chester, April 10, 1792. Specimens of United States fractional currency; framed. Strip of 9 Congressional Lottery tickets, dated "Phi'delphia, Nov. 18, 1776." Signed by "G. Campbell." Lot of early Mormon currency. Certificate of stock,

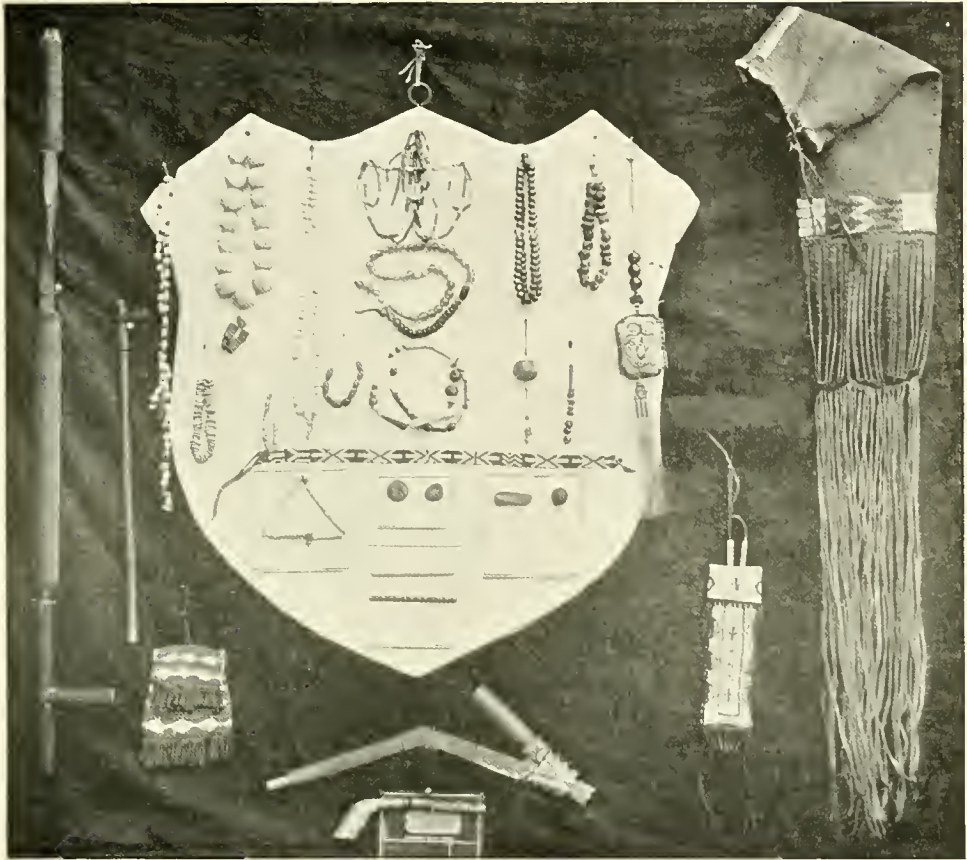
issued by the Chester County Silk Company. Signed by Isaac Thomas, President, 1837.

Five Bayard Taylor autograph letters, signed. Also receipt given Aug. 30, 1870, to Fields, Osgood & Co., for \$350, being the remainder of sum of \$2400, due for the serial story of "Joseph and His Friend," published in the Atlantic Monthly during 1870. Autograph memorandum, signed. By Rebecca Taylor, mother of Bayard. Autograph note signed. By T. Buchanan Read. Poem, "The Truant," in MSS., by T. B. Read. Autograph letters from Chas. Dickens, Longfellow, Whittier, Lowell, George Lippard, and other authors. Portraits of Anthony Bolmar, Wm. F. Wyers, Charles Miner, David Townsend, when a young man, and others. Also portraits of Generals Lafayette, McCall, Kuyphausen, Wayne, and others. Portraits of Bayard Taylor, taken at various ages. Views of Westtown, old and new: First Baptist Church; Bolmar's School (in colors); Cedarcroft and lodge; T. B. Read's birthplace; etc.



POMPEIAN POTTERY, A. D. 79.  
(Kervey Collection.)

Pompeian Pottery. Etruscan pitcher, scented vase, Lachrymal, candle (?) stand, uncleaned urn, lamps. (See illus.) These specimens were secured by Dr. Wickersham, of Philadelphia, during the excavation



INDIAN BEADS, ARROW POINTS, PIPES, ETC.

Shield display, showing: Indian beads, made of stone, pottery, crinoid stems, turquoise, satinspar, copper, shell, amber and glass (some from graves in Newlin township, Chester county). Three kinds of beads were found in the Chester county graves:—long blue and white beads, same as are commonly found on Egyptian mummies; octagonal amber beads, rarely found in graves, and about 20 large round opaque glass beads, measuring seven-eighths of an inch in diameter. All of European manufacture. (Kervey Collection). Also ancient Egyptian glass and olive beads; Sioux Indian tobacco pouch, with fringe, about 40 inches long. Bead, and dyed porcupine quill, ornamentation. Small (Apache) beaded tobacco pouch; English clay pipe, from Indian grave, on Marshall farm, near Northbrook, Chester county, Pa.; exhumed Nov. 16, 1878; beaded sheath for knife, Indian. (Property of S. G. & N. Hickman.) Small Catlinite pipe, with reed stem; large Catlinite pipe, with twisted wooden stem, bound with brass wire; Catlinite pipe and stem of same.

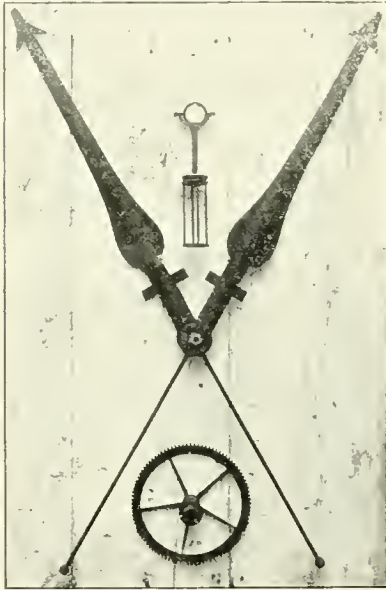
tions, in 1855, before the Italian Government stopped the carrying off of anything found in the ruins. The city was destroyed A. D. 79. Pompeian copper ladle, deeply corrugated with verdigris; incense dish, from a canal bed in Nicaragua; antique china plate, Chinese design; early walgewood mug, large size, in blue and white. Originally the property of L. W. H. Kervey. (See page 74.) Plate: view of Washington's headquarters at Newburg; pair antique cut-glass salt holders, 1800; Martha Washington plate, gold and colored decoration, reproduction; six antique plates, various designs; blue Staffordshire pitcher, hunting scene. Blue plate, 10-inch dark Staffordshire ware, made by Clews, (Eng.); pink and green plates, "Landing of Columbus;" purple plate, "Richard Jordan residence."

Three cups and saucers, Lowestoft ware; antique Persian beer mug; antique china candlestick, be-

longed to Helen (Houghton) Baily. (See page 74.) Stone beer mug, one gallon capacity; early lustre mug, colored raised decorations, belonged to Hannah Sharpless Kervey. Early Phoenixville pitcher vase, "C. C. ware." (See illus.) A few of these were decorated in colors. Early Majolica vase, from Phoenixville pottery; Phoenixville experimental piece, beaded china vase; antique square de-anters, originally owned by Mrs. Sarah Joyce; Blue Delft bowl, belonged to George March, of Romansville, Pa.; antique Persian tile 6x8 1-2. Princess on horseback, holding falcon, in high relief, colored; antique cups and saucers, early English ware. blue Staffordshire plate, shepherdess; painted pottery from New Mexico and Arizona: olla or jar, large and beautifully made, of steatite, from Indian grave in Santa Barbara county, California; two pieces of Peruvian pottery (See page 87); large fragments of Indian

steatite pottery, Chester county; early Phoenixville base ball vase, made in both china and majolica. (See illus.) Painted porcelain antique door knob; Staffordshire blue china tea pot; Delft china 10 1/2 bowl in four colors, about 1750, belonged to General John W. Cunningham, who was born in 1779, son of Capt. Allen Cunningham, who settled at (then) London Cross-roads, Chester county, in 1765, and who commanded a company at the Battle of Brandywine, large Delft blue china plate, from Benjamin Hickman sale (Willistown township). White china teapot, lustre decoration; blue Staffordshire shepherd plate. (See illus., page 82.)

Lower jaw bone and complete skull of Lenni-Lenape Indians; glass and amber beads; clay pipe and stone implement from graves, on farm of Abram Marshall, in Newlin township, Chester county, ex-



HANDS AND SECTION OF WORKS FROM THE OLD TOWN CLOCK. (Kervey Collection.)

humed November 16, 1878; two minute hands, 48 inches long, and sections of the works of the Old Court House clock. (See illus.) Antique bellows; brass nozzle; gold and red decoration; antique bellows, said to have been used by Thos. Moore, in the house he occupied on the Schuylkill, Philadelphia; saddle bag, single, from Davis Garrett, White Horse; embroidered pocketbooks marked: "E. B. 1778," and "Rebekah Flower, 1785." Hickory cane, carved handle, a lion couchant. Carved by inmate of Soldiers' Home, Washington, D. C. Brass die, seal of Chester County Silk Company, 1837; Coat of Arms of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, elaborately inlaid in colored words, in oval slab of walnut, 26x 21; antique iron thumb latch, and antique iron latch and bolt, very early types; Sword cane, Malacca, said to have belonged to Henry Clay; hickory cane, carved, once the property of Moses Jordan.

Pewter group (See page 78); Pewter dinner plates, 16-in. plates, 20-in. platter (from Cox exhibit.) Ink stand; beer tankards, one belonged to grandfather of Israel Lamborn, and is said to have been found

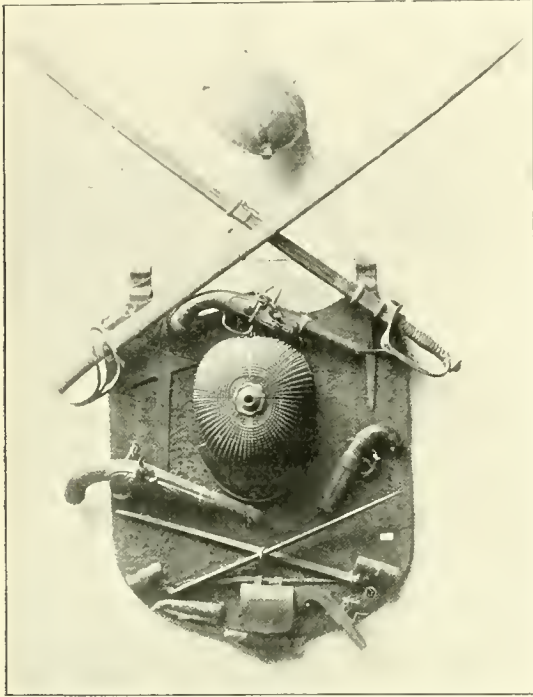
in the old Abiah Taylor house, in East Bradford township; ladle; coffee pot, belonged to Margaret (Clark) Baily; cream pitcher; beaker; tobacco box, with lid (from Heed exhibit.) Porringer (from S. G. & N. Hickman exhibit.) Horn drinking cup, from Chili, S. A., brought home by Wm. Pyle. Smoothing iron, reversible fluid lamp attachment; Fijian war club, curiously carved. Obtained by Paul du Chailou, and by him given to Robert Stanley, of Philadelphia; subsequently it came into the possession of the depositor. (See p. 79.) Wakizashi, Japanese short sword, or dirk, the instrument by which Hara-kiri, or self-immolation is performed, brought from Japan by Lieut.-Com. Henry C. Niels, U. S. N.; longitudinal section of Paw-paw tree, Caricapapaya, a native of the tropical regions of the Old World, raised in Chester county, a yellowish green, satin-like wood.

Tin canteen, carried by Colonel George F. Smith, in War of the Rebellion; officer's swords, 1861-65; blood stained bayonets, from Gettysburg Battlefield; flint-lock horse-pistol; early percussion horse-pistol; flint-lock peck-topistol; old pepper box pistol; dagger of 1812; Italian dirk, made to work on ratchet, and to close in horn handle; Italian stiletto; knife found in Birmingham township, 5-inch blade, ends of silver, and of foreign design; Indian tomahawk of iron, found in Chester county. (See page 85.) U. S. musket, from Battlefield of Antietam; three guns, early breech-loading patents; breech loading flint-lock gun, made at Harper's Ferry, in 1824; Revolutionary flint-lock rifle, belonged to Benjamin Hickman; Russian musket and artillery sabre, bearing Russian characters, picked up within the Fort of Malakoff, the day following the battle at that point, Sept. 8, 1855, by Surgeon R. Jones Baily, of Chester county; Russian Quadrant, used in the Crimean War for determining the elevation of cannon. Obtained at Sebastopol, after the siege, by Surgeon R. Jones Baily, of Chester county; Revolutionary officer's sword. Marks: "J. H." Handle of metal and ivory, blade inlaid with gold; Indian hatchet, iron, made at Birmingham, Eng., for trading with the American Indians; bullets, grapes-shot and cannon balls, from the battlefields of the Revolution, Crimea and the Rebellion. Also Spanish poisonous and U. S. dum-dum bullets, from the Philippines; 18 lb. Revolutionary cannon ball found by Robt. L. Hayes, in 1873, on the Abiah Taylor farm, East Bradford township. It is believed to be the largest ball ever found in this county. Two Revolutionary 3-lb cannon balls, found in Chester county, one on the George Faucett farm, Westtown township. Large plaster cast of G. A. R. badge, decorated in colors by Miss Rebecca Hemphill.

Lot of silk badges, framed, among them Washington, Lafayette, Battle of Baltimore 1814, Polk, Lincoln, etc.; Roman stylus, an ancient ivory writing instrument; fireman's hat, in use by the American Hose Company of Philadelphia prior to 1855. Marked "W. C. P." Old time writing sand boxes of wood, japanned tin and brass; pair antique brass candlesticks, 15 inches high; date stone of serpentine, from a house built in West Goshen township, in 1782, marks: "H. F. M. 1782," by John Hoopes for his children, Francis and Mary; transverse section, polished, and cane of osage orange tree planted by Dr. Darlington in 1721. At the time of its destruction, 6th-mo, 5th, 1879, during a storm, it was the largest tree of its kind north of Mason and



Dixon's line. Mahogany scroll top corner cupboard, with two doors, from the Cornog sale at Malvern; wooden canteen, marked "H. Baily 1814."



Tin Canteen and Officer's Swords's (1861), Flint-lock Horse Pistol, Early Percussion Horse Pistol, Flint-lock Pocket Pistol, Old "Pepper-Box" Pistol, Dagger (1812), Italian Dirk, Italian Stiletto, Revolutionary Knife (5-inch blade) and Indian Tomahawk, iron, both found in Chester county. Japanese War Helmet.

Silver ornament, dated 1776, from the front of Revolutionary hat; old steel shoe buckle, found in May, 1888, in field near Cope's Bridge, East Bradford township; brass buckle, found in the mortar of the Abigh Taylor house, East Bradford township; pair steel shoe buckles, worn by Nathan Sharpless, of West Chester, in 1791; enameled copper snuff box, with colored portrait of "Young Roseus" on lid; black silk stock, worn by William Everhart about 1824, 4-1/2 inches high; round snuff box, portrait on lid, originally the property of Lydia (Sharpless) Roberts, about 1800; cigar case, battle scene in colors, "The Capture of General Vega." General Vega was a German officer and mathematician of distinction. He was murdered in 1802 for his money. Kid mitts, in style about 1850; antique oblong horn snuff box, silver plate on lid, probably German. (See Illus., page 87.)

SAMUEL B. LADD—Miniature on ivory of Samuel Bragg Ladd, born 1793, died 1827; antique gold striking watch, originally the property of Samuel Bragg Ladd; four bells from old Conestoga team, once the property of Amos Ladd, of Chester county, who married Hannah Matlack; flint-lock gun, with bayonet, smooth bore, marked "U. S., 1833;" Masonic chart on parchment, framed, belonged to Samuel Bragg Ladd, dated 1814; silk Masonic apron, emblems in gold and silver tinsel; wooden writing-

sand box, Indian stone axe; handkerchief case of watered silk, elaborately embroidered, made by the mother of Schuyler Colfax, and given by him to a member of the Ladd family; stone maize mill, Indian, from Franklin county, Mississippi.

GEORGE S. LAMBORN—Model in wood of the Meconkey house, now known as the Assembly Building. Made from cigar boxes with a penknife. It is an excellent representation and skillfully executed. The interior is divided into the various rooms constituting a dwelling, and each room is furnished with the necessary chairs, tables, etc., also made by Mr. Lamborn from old cigar boxes.

D. H. LEWIS—Antique high comb, needle work, man's frock coat made in 1776.

MRS. WILLIAM LINDLEY—Antique gold watch, 1782, belonged to Ruth and Ann Rutter Lindley, a minister in the Society of Friends antique cane, belonged to Israel Downing.

MRS. JOHN LUCAS—Oil painting of Captain Wm. Apple, grandfather of the depositor.

WILMER W. MACELREE—A handsome walnut mantle piece, elaborately carved by hand, attracts great attention. A grape vine, coiled all around, makes a border. Overhead its branches are seen loaded with grapes and so intertwined as to make an arbor. On either side stands the litho figure of a woman in graceful attitude, reaching up to pluck the grapes. It is the work of W. W. MacElree, Esq., of West Chester, late District Attorney, and was carved several years ago to adorn the parlor of his residence.

MAJOR L. G. M'CAULEY—Large oil painting of Judge Isaac Darlington. (See Illus.)

JAMES D. M'CLELLAN—Old wooden plow, 125 years old. It has a wooden mould board and wrought iron share.

MISS CHRISSEY M'CLELLAN—Borough of West Chester records from 1802 to 1823, by Col. Joseph McClellan, grandfather of the depositor.

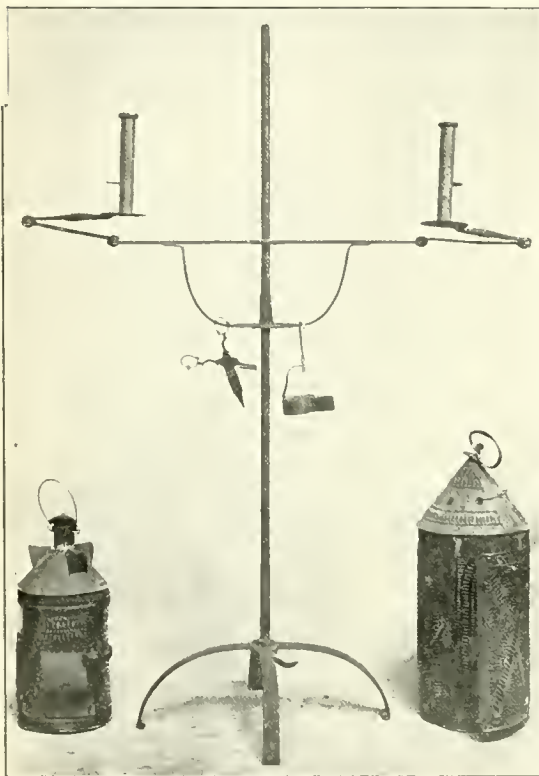
MRS. WILLIAM M'CUULOUGH—Two samplers, iron Dutch lamp.

MAJOR JAMES E. M'FARLAN Print, General Washington and wife visiting the troops at Valley Forge on Christmas Day, 1777; print, "Washington Crossing the Delaware." This from an engraving by George S. Lang, of Chester county.

MRS. ELIZA MARSHALL—Large pewter spoon and two pewter porringers, belonged to the Joseph Marshall family; antique pair of spectacles; dark blue Staffordshire platter, view of Dublin; two antique China sauce dishes; half dozen pewter plates, marked "S. F.," the initials of Sarah Ford, of Romansville, the original owner, great-great-grandmother of depositor; tall lustre pitcher, originally in the Strode family; blue plate, Lagrange, the home of Lafayette, once owned by Richard Mileson, of Marshallton; Masonic apron, decorations in colors on kid, belonged to Joseph Marshall, who lived near Locust Grove, Chester county; "Syphering" book, belonged to Joseph Marshall, father of Humphrey Strode Marshall, 1798; two old samplers; old style vest, worn by Humphrey S. Marshall about 1815; handworked pocket book, marked "D. M. M.," for David and Mary Marshall, 1773; old colored print; eight old plates, various designs; two homespun coverlets, made by — Patchell, a weaver at the time, near Marshallton.

SAMUEL MARSHALL—(In the Historical Society's exhibit)—Flint-lock gun and flint-lock carbine; powder horn; money scales, belonged to

Thomas Marshall, great-grandfather of depositor; two leather fire buckets, marked "Good Will, Walter Hibberd;" antique surveyors' compass; two very old candle lanterns (See Illus.); copper scales and weights made by Stephen Paschall in 1786; three pairs iron shovels and tongs; antique warming pan; two old iron pokers; old crane, with various shaped hooks; antique basket, in which bread was made; West Chester "Wide Awake" cap, cape and torch, used by Wm. P. Marshall in the Lincoln and Hamlin campaign; antique rocking chair and upright chair; cradle, once the property of Charles and Frances (Paschall) Lloyd, of Paschallville, great-grandparents of depositor; pair brass top andirons, ditto; five pairs iron andirons, different patterns; antique, iron griddle, frying pan, spider and toaster; large iron mortar and pestle, the latter about four feet long, and was operated by being swung to the



Wrought Iron Candle Stand, 3 ft., 11 in.; Candle Lanterns, 14 and 20 inches high; Snuffers, Lard Lamp.

limb of a tree, the mortar was set in a cedar bucket or holder. Used for pounding corn, etc. It belonged to Jonathan Paschall, an officer in the Continental army, commanding in New Jersey. He was a son of Thomas Paschall, of "The Woodlands," Philadelphia. Early imprint, by Caleb Pusey, of (then) Chester county, "Satan's Harbinger Encountered, His False News Of A Trumpet Detected, His Crooked Ways in the Wildness Laid open to the View of the Impartial and Judicious, Being Something by way of Answer to Daniel

Leeds his book entitled News of a Trumpet Sounding in the Wilderness, (etc.) (etc.) by C. P. (etc.) Printed at Philadelphia By Reynier Jansen 1700." This is an exceedingly rare imprint; it belonged to Josiah Bunting, the great-great-grandfather of the depositor.

JOHN GRAVES MARTIN—Hackle, lot of flax; yarn winder, made by John Graves about 1800.

HOOPES MATLACK—Antique revolver, various curios, two cases of battlefield relics from Antietam and Gettysburg.

MRS. M. H. MATLACK—Antique spectacles and case, antique bead purse, sampler.

MRS. WILLIAM MATLACK, Marshallton, Pa.—Early imprint, "The Herbal A general Historie of Plants, (etc.) Imprinted at London by Iohn Norton 1597." Quarto pp. 1392, and index. Illustrated with numerous wood cuts.

LYDIA J. MENDENHALL—Antique iron lard lamp.

MISS A. M. MERCER—Antique bed quilt, old style bonnet, bonnet shade, old style dress, early almanac.

MRS. GEORGE A. MERCER—Large antique China platter, bowl and wine glasses, lot of old books.

MISS MARTHA MICHENER—Antique knitting sheath.

SARAH MILLER—Antique China teapot and ten plates.

MRS. E. B. MOORE—White China mustard cup, with tray attached, plain gold band decoration. This piece is said to have been used in the family of George Washington. It was given by a member of the Custis family to Mrs. Mary Irwin Brison, of Baltimore, Md., who afterwards gave it to her sister, Mrs. John Bowen Brinton, of West Chester, who in turn presented it to her daughter, Mrs. Edward B. Moore. Robertson's "Charles the Fifth," in three volumes, from the library of William Maclay, the first United States Senator from Pennsylvania, a native of Chester county, born in New Garden township in 1737. These volumes each contain the book plate of Senator Maclay, and were given to his granddaughter, Mrs. John Bowen Brinton, of West Chester, and are now in the possession of her daughter, Mrs. Edward B. Moore.

PROF. GEORGE W. MOORE.—Skull from an old grave in Pennsylvania; copy of the Ulster County (N. Y.) Gazette, Jan. 4, 1800, containing notice of the death of President Washington; Indian stone pestle.

MRS. LYDIA A. MOORE—Spinning wheel, antique spoon.

MRS. CATHERINE G. OGIER—Antique chair, 1738; antique mahogany table from the old Brinton homestead by direct inheritance from 1684 to the present time; pair brass andirons; a letter written by Thomas H. Brinton. It is enclosed in a frame made from the wood of the door frame of the 1704 Brinton house, erected by William Brinton, who came to America in 1684, and was the great-great-grandfather of Mrs. Catharine G. Ogier, who now owns the letter and frame exhibited.

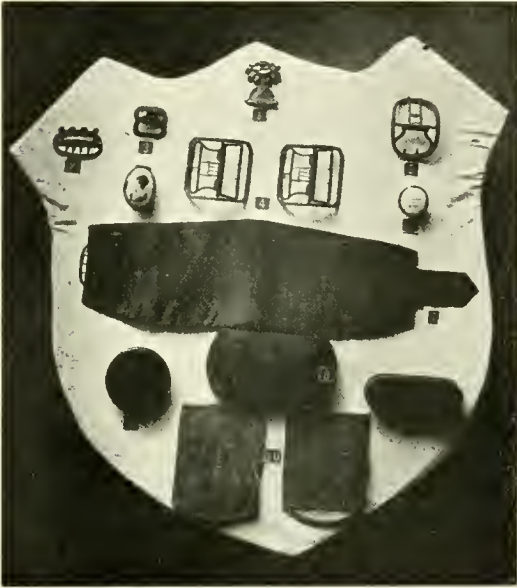
MRS. ELI PALMER—Two antique China teapots, antique needle work.

JOSEPH PALMER, Doe Run—Land Patent, 1699.

EDGAR J. PARKER—Journal of the First Session of the Eighth House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 1797.

**H. L. PATTERSON**—Large Japanese waiter, lacquer ware.

**EDWARD S. PAXSON**—Old Dutch table; very old arm chair, said to have been used by Lafayette when in West Chester; candle stand; shovel and tongs; pewter beater; two brass candle sticks; antique candle stick with glass chimney attachment; pewter sugar bowl; old iron lamps and snuffers; two pairs brass top andirons; five pewter lamps; three plain old iron andirons, very early pattern.



CHESTER COUNTY RELICS.

Very old steel shoe buckles, brass buckle from mortar in Abiah Taylor's house (1724), pair shoe buckles worn by Nathan Sharpless in 1794, silver ornament (dated 1776), enameled copper snuff boxes, black silk stock, worn by 'Squire Everhart in 1850; round wooden snuff box, oblong horn snuff box, General Verga cigar case, kid mitts, (description page 85).

**MISS RACHEL PAXSON**—Old corner chair of walnut, belonged to Jacob Paxson, of Abington, Montgomery county, over 100 years ago; antique Chinese bouquet holder.

**MRS. PUSEY PENNOCK**, Paoli, Pa.—Earthenware pie plate, made at James Donnelly's pottery, West Chester, in 1852. Date and inscription on plate. Antique horn spoon; old Lewistown bank note.

**JOHN R. PIERCE**—Antique chair.

**W. H. POOLE**, Kennett Square, Pa.—Pair of antique brass stirrups.

**JAMES POULTZER**—Razor, said to have been used by George Washington when at Chadds' Ford; old German compass.

**CHARLES PRALL**—Two sabres, War of 1812.

**MISS MARY E. PRATT**—Revolutionary bayonet, carried by Jonathan Adkinson, pair of sleeve buttons dated 1744; large metal button from coat of a passenger on the Mayflower; reticule, 1827.

**THE MISSES PRICE**—Old painting of Westtown School, in water colors, by Jesse Sharpless, a pupil at that time.

**DR. JACOB, AND COLONEL ISAIAH PRICE**

—Large oil painting of Philip Price, Superintendent of Westtown Boarding School, and founder of Price's Boarding School for Girls, on Union street, West Chester, 1830-1838; large oil painting of Rachel Price, wife of Philip, at one time Matron of Westtown Boarding School.

**ELI RAMBO**—Antique iron lard lamp.

**GEORGE ROBERTS**—Spinning wheel.

**T. J. RODEBAUGH**—Old leather fire bucket.

**A. B. ROECKER**—Specimens of campaign buttons and badges, artistically arranged and displayed in frame.

**MRS. JOHN A. RUPERT**—Iron spider; antique tea kettle; nine antique China plates and two China tea pots; two pewter plates; sugar bowl; three cream pitchers, tureen, five cups and saucers, all very old and representing various early designs in decoration; three specimens of "Apostolic" China ware; antique needle book.

**GEORGE M. RUPERT**—Store book kept by William P. Townsend, 1841.

**WILLIAM RUPERT**—Spectacles, originally worn by John Pyle, prior to 1800.

**SLATER B. RUSSELL**—Flint-lock gun and bayonet, found on the battlefield of Paoli soon after the fight, by 'Squire Davis, of Easttown township, and subsequently given by him to John, the father of David M. Golder; Revolutionary sword, found in the soil near Birmingham Meeting House by John Marshall, grandfather of John E. Marshall, of Westtown township, from whom 'Squire Russell obtained it; commission of Captain Roger Kirk, of Chester county, "Company of a Foot in the Fourth Battalion of Associators in the county of Chester," dated April 15, 1776. Captain Kirk was a representative in the Legislature from his district for seven consecutive terms. Small silver pitcher, part of a set presented to Amelia Mullin Kirk, of Cecil county, Md., at her wedding in 1793. She was a daughter of William and Ann Mullin.

**SARAH K. RUTH**—Pair of gloves presented to Col. Joseph McClellan by General Lafayette when in West Chester in August, 1825.

**CHRISTIAN N. SANDERSON**, Fort Providence—Indian "throw stone;" early imprint, An



Ancient Peruvian Pottery, | Aztec Idols, Aztec Blood Vessels, W. P. Sharpless, Kervoy Collection.

Historical Disquisition, (etc.) Philadelphia, 1792.

**SCHOOL, STATE NORMAL**—High case clock, originally owned by Benjamin Franklin.

**SCHOOL, WEST CHESTER HIGH**—Large stone, made of concrete, from the great Chinese wall. Presented to the High School by Lieut.-Com. Henry C. Nields, U. S. N.

**JEFFERSON SHANER**—Flower pot, made at Enos Smedley's pottery, West Chester. Inscription, "Westchester Chester County, Remember Mee August, 18, 1840" (See Illus., page 70.) Warming pan.

**MRS. ALFRED SHARPLESS**—Antique mirror, came from England with the first settlers of the Harlan family; pair Hemphill and Tucker hard porcelain pitchers, salmon and gold bands, made about 1835; pewter platter.

**S. EMLEN SHARPLESS**—Receipt book kept by William Sharpless, the first Burgess of West Chester, 1790-1800; microscope owned by Nathan F. Sharpless.

**WILLIAM P. SHARPLESS**—Oil painting of General Isaac D. Barnard, artist not known. Presented by Gen. Barnard to West Chester National Guards about 1830; upon the disbanding of the company, the portrait was given to Col. Henry R. Guss, who commanded the company; he in turn gave it to the depositor, who is a grandnephew. Another painting of General Barnard, owned by Mr. Sharpless, was painted by Esther Strode, sister of Jos. C. Strode. Two pottery Idols from Mexico; blood vessel from Aztec Temple, Mexico, the base represents foot of a bear. (See Illus., page 87.)

**PHILIP P. SHARPLES**—(In the Historical Society's exhibit)—Buckskin "leggings," quiver for arrows and one for arrow points, low case and crupper; an old painted quiver; iron and a pair of rawhide stirrups; quill from an eagle or larger bird, with leather case, made for carrying gold dust; design in roses made from an Indian woman's hair; horse belt, made of horse hair, skillfully woven; birch bark baskets, handsomely decorated; whips, with handles of bone and of wood; Indian blanket, a wampum belt and a large beaded belt four inches wide and about four feet long; slate pipe bowl, inlaid with lead; Catlinite pipe, with stem elaborately covered with beads, etc., etc. In addition to these there is a "Kappa" cloth curtain, made from the bark of a tree, and design painted in black. It measures 5 feet 3 inches by 3 feet 9 inches, and was brought from the Samoan Islands by Herman Sharpless. Three silk handkerchiefs made by the Chester County Silk Company in 1837; cane made from one of the doors of the old West Chester Jail, about 1839; deed from John Haines to his son, John Haines, Jr., for 365 acres of ground, May 30, 1715. This took in nearly all of the land south of Gay street. Deed, John Haines, Jr., to William Dean for 203 acres of land, in 1742, both in West Chester.

**MRS. SAMUEL SHEPPARD**—Antique table, three chairs and bureau.

**MRS. SARAH E. SHIELDS**—Pair bellows; antique picture of shepherd; antique china gravy boats and mugs; silk shawls; painted bottle, salt cellars; old candle dipper; mirror.

**MRS. ROBERT SIMPSON**—Antique box; Bible, 1716; flint-lock pistol.

**MISS PHILEXA SMEDLEY**—Embroidered reticule made by Susan Hoopes in 1766, when nine years of age.

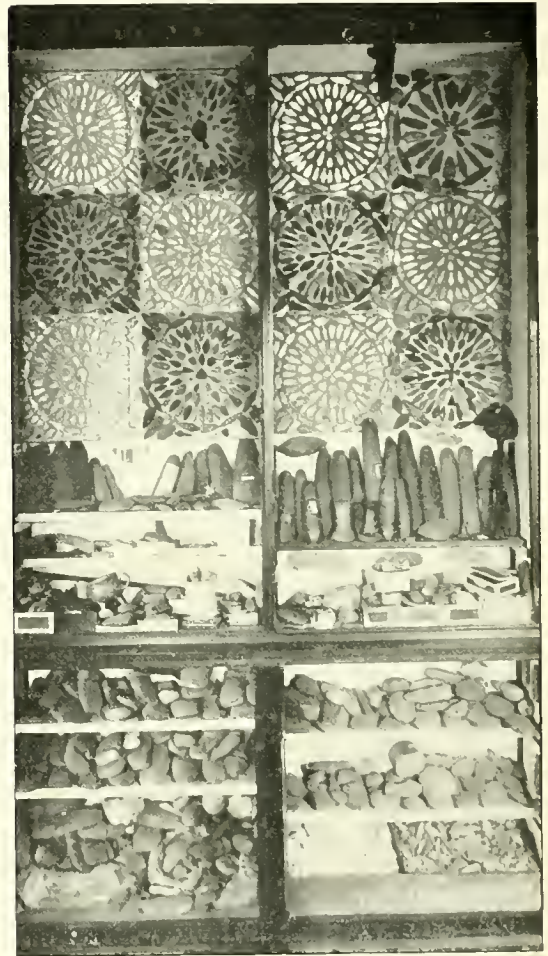
**MRS. C. B. SMITH**—Antique pocket book; three samplers, worked in 1808; antique brooch.

**WARREN SPEAKMAN**—A letter dated 1719.

**H. K. STANBRIDGE**, Philadelphia—Large napkin, made of Irish linen, Biblical designs woven in the material, with the date of 1631. Brought to America in 1894.

**L. JOHN STILL**—Antique sampler, dated 1752. Very interesting on account of its genealogical character, there being several entries of the names of members of the Jones family, also curious design of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden.

**MISS MARY I. STILLE**—Pewter platter; two old time watches, antique molasses jug, husking peg, sewing bird, home-spun towel, reticule and hand-



CASE OF INDIAN STONE RELICS.  
(Philip P. Sharples' Collection.)

The case here shown contains a collection of Indian stone relics gathered from various places, many from Chester county. There are pipes and some pottery and a war club or mall brought from Australia by Herman Sharpless, and a large serpentine stone utensil found in Montgomery county, Md.; there are spear heads, paint grinders, gambling stones, "leaf-shaped" stones, hammer stones, celts, sixteen pestles, one hundred axes and over 5,000 arrow points. It is perhaps the largest private collection in the State of Pennsylvania.



OLD SULKY, (see description page 91).

kerchief, antique China Lowl, tea pot, cup and saucer, sand box.

**E. M. STRICKLAND**—A reprint of the first issue of "The Boston News-Letter," the first newspaper published in America. Its date line reads "From Monday, April 17th, to Monday, April 24th, 1704." John Cambell, at that time Postmaster of Boston, was the Editor. The reprint was made by "The Antique Publishing Company," of Boston. On the same sheet are shown pictures of the first steam railroad passenger train in America, the first steam locomotive in the world, the first steamboat, a view of New York City as it appeared in 1650, the old Liberty Bell, the house in which Thomas Jefferson wrote the Declaration of Independence and Independence Hall, Philadelphia.

**FRANK D. STRODE**—Bail paper, Nov. 2, 1819, Commonwealth vs. Joseph Carter, with Joseph Strode as surety in the sum of \$300; iron candle stand, three feet high, made by Richard Strode in 1800. It has a revolving arm and candlestick attachment. Old Bible, Trenton imprint.

**CAPT. BENJ. H. SWENEY**—Bowie knife; pipe carved by a private of the 32d New York Regiment, while on the picket line.

**C. WESLEY TALBOT**—Photograph of the first train of cars that arrived in West Chester over the West Chester and Media Railroad, 1858; lithograph of the old Barnard Street School, by W. H. Rease; photograph of Gov. Andrew Curtin, taken in West Chester; old engraving of Anthony Bolmar; antique sickle, purchased by Joel Davis in 1776.

**CALEB TAYLOR**—Old wooden hame with plaited leather trace, over 100 years old.

**MRS. CALEB M. TAYLOR**—Antique mahogany claw and ball foot chair; belonged to Dr. Jos. Wilson, of Springfield, Del. Co., native of Gwynedd, Montg. Co., Pa. The chair is supposed to have come from his ancestors; sampler, framed; piece antique embroidery.

**GEORGE S. TAYLOR**—Cavalry sabre found by David H. Taylor on the Battlefield of Antietam; cannon ball and sword from the Branlywine Battleground, an old bugle used by Tyson Rambo when a member of the Middletown, Delaware county, Band, from 1820 to 1825; old Irish penny.

**THOMAS R. TEMPLE**—Caleb Pusey deed, 1695

"Made the tenth day of the fourth month called June for the yeare off our Lord Christ, According to the English Account one thousand six hundred and ninety five Between Caleb Pusey off the Towne and County of Chester in the province in Pennsylvania of the one party and Thomas Coelorn off the same county and province afforesaid the other partie, (etc., etc.)" This was for seventy-three acres of land, "situate in the Township of Middletowne."

\* \* \* "in consideration of the sum of Thirty Pounds of Current silver mony of Pennsylvania." The witnesses were John Hoskins and William Jenkins.

**ISAAC THOMAS**—Revolutionary sword.

**JOSEPH THOMPSON**—Very large pair ball top brass andirons; antique mahogany claw and ball-foot table, originally in the Brinton family; "A View of Strodesville, Chester County, Penna., painted on the spot by John Neagle, 1839, and presented by him, in 1846, to Joseph C. and Caleb Strode, for themselves and all their sisters married and single." This is supposed to be the only landscape of Neagle's extant, as he was distinguished as a portrait painter. Mr. Thompson prizes this picture very highly, and when on one occasion he showed it to a son of the painter, he was delighted with it. The



HAY RAKE, 1820, (see description page 90.)

above description is written on the back of the picture, and is supposed to have been done by Neagle himself.

**R. P. TOMLINSON**—Bull's eye silver watch, 1799; specimens of nails and Continental money.

**JACOB TOMPKINS**—Military Company Memorial, framed.

**MRS. WILLIAM TOMPKINS**—Pewter porringer.

**DAVID E. TOWNSEND**—Whale's tooth in scrimshaw work, a term employed by sailors to their method of engraving on whales' teeth.

**MISS MARGARET G. TOWNSEND**—Sampler, the work of Mary H. Walter, while a pupil at Mrs. Given's School, Brandywine, in 1816. It is a map of the United States, which at that time was all

case drawers, about three feet high. This was made for a daughter of Judge Richard Peters, of the United States District Court, famous as a patriot, as well as an eminent jurist. He died in 1828. His daughter married a Delaney. Old lift wooden rake, came from the Marshall family, near Kennett Square. The design is said to have originated with an old slave in the South, whose master assigned him a certain amount of work to be done in a prescribed time. The man used a pole to which he fastened rough strips of wood for teeth. The



ONE HORSE SHAY OR GIG.

east of the Mississippi, except the Louisiana purchase, which in the south is designated as Orleans and further north as Louisiana territory. Only a small part of it is shown, and the Mississippi River is left with its source undefined. There is no trace of the Missouri River. Illinois, Indiana and Mississippi are designated as States. Mississippi includes all of what is now the State of Alabama. Florida is divided into two parts, styled East and West Florida. Maine is designated as the District of Maine.

**EMMA HARLAN TRIMBLE**, Hamorton, Pa.—Chatelaine bag, with the names of Phebe Stern, 1838, and Phebe McFarlan, 1788, embroidered on the material, grandmother and great-grandmother of the depositor; silhouette of John Stora and his wife, Phebe McFarlan.

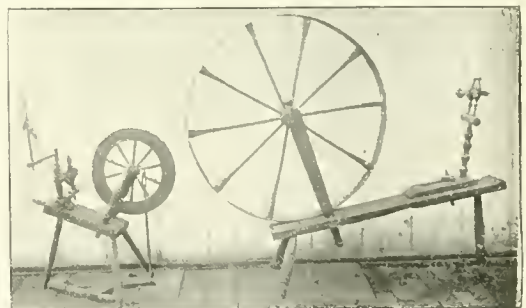
**THEODORE F. TURNER**—Musket, knapsack, pair "Housewives," accoutrements carried during the War of the Rebellion by Mr. Turner, who was a member of Company E, Third Penna. Heavy Artillery, for two years; wooden canteen, a relic of 1812, found at Howlett House Battery, a Confederate fortification; sampler; five old rifles; antique sugar bowl and pitcher; bone soup ladle; flint-lock musket, belongs to Mrs. Reuben Samples.

**MARY L. AND PHEBE WALTER**—Three samplers; antique pin cushion, and needle work; white embroidered needlebook; two antique silk cases; pepper shaker; Lafayette wooden box.

**R. H. WALTER**—Antique foot warmer; toaster; dagger; old map of Philadelphia; antique mahogany

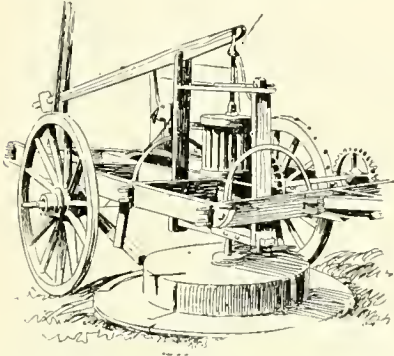
revolving rake was the outcome of the foregoing, and Moses Pennoek, of Kennett Square (father of Samuel), and a man living in Uwchlan township engaged, independently, in the manufacture of them. Between these two men a dispute arose as to the ownership of the patent. They were made about 1820. (See Illus., page 89.)

Old Gig. Belongs to Allen Cloud, son of William Cloud, of Kennett Square. The gig as a means of conveyance followed the Chair which was about the first horse carriage. The Chair had wooden springs and an immovable top, while the Gig had leather and steel springs and a drop top. They were in use as early as 1800 and cost about \$250 each.



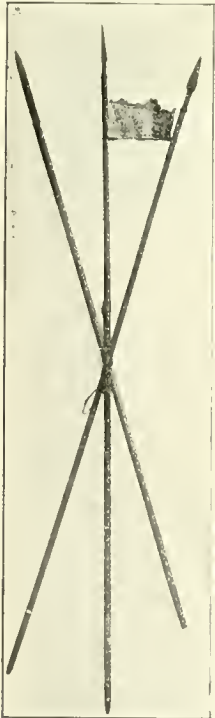
LARGE AND SMALL SPINNING WHEELS.  
(Kervey Collection.)

Following the Gig came the Sulky, designed especially for the use of country physicians. The specimen here illustrated (See p. 89), and the Gig as well, formed a part of the attractions on Civic Day. It came from Stephen Webb, Parkerville, Chester Co.



**MOWING MACHINE**, used on the Worth farm, in East Bradford, about 1820. It cut grass by means of a large circular revolving knife, and was a fair success on ground which was perfectly level, but on hilly ground the knife ran into the soil and became dull.

**MRS. LYDIA ANN WAY**—Antique Malacca cane; old hair trunk; pair brass candle sticks; walnut cradle, made by John Moore, of Sadsbury, Chester county, about 1795; later it belonged to Lydia Moore, who married Samuel Moore; chair; iron scraper; design made inside of bottle; antique China plate; teapot; marriage certificate of John and Elizabeth Moon, dated 1788, and one of John and Alice Moon, dated 1821; two very old samplers in antique frame, made by the mother of the depositor; pottery sugar bowl; spinning wheel; enameled copper snuff box; antique pair sleeve buttons; very old two prong fork.



Confederate Spears and Flag. (Taken at the fall of Richmond.

**RUTH L. WEBB**—Antique pocket book,

**MISS HANNAH MARY WICKERSHAM**—Homespun handkerchief; sack and socks; four samplers; antique needles; pocket book and table cover; antique china tea pot; cream pitcher and plate; four cups and saucers; wooden plate; salt cellar.

**HENRY J. WICKERSHAM**, Glen Hall, Pa.—Antique silver watch, said to have belonged to

Dr. Jacob Ehrenzeller, second Burgess of West Chester, 1800.

**MAJOR SENECA G. WILLAUER**—Line and field officers' swords, cavalry and red silk sash, these were used by Major Willauer when serving in the War of the Rebellion.

**ABRAM WILLIAMS**—Yarn winder; pair old saddle bags.

**MISS ANNIE WILLIAMS**—Select Works of William Penn, Folio.

**MRS. REBECCA WILLIAMS**—Old ale horn.

**MISS FLOY WORRALL**—Two antique China plates and teapot, about 1820.

**MRS. B. F. WRIGHT**—Homespun linen sheet, pillow case, shawl and towel; antique reticule.

**MRS. GEORGE S. ZANE**—An old sword in a heavy leather scabbard, carried by Tom Bugg, an old colored man who along about 1816 to 1820 was to be seen marching in the rear of the Independent Blues, commanded by Captain William Apple, whenever the command turned out for parade. He carried this sword, and claimed to have fought in the American Revolution. Tom Bugg, among other things, claimed to have been a body servant of George Washington.

## THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS DISPLAY.

**T**HE work of the Public Schools, which was exhibited in the Court House, attracted much attention. It was examined by the parents and friends of the pupils, and elicited much commendation. Among many others who viewed this exhibit were those especially interested in education who came from various parts of the county and State to ascertain what work is done in the West Chester schools. These found much of interest and profit, which they can profitably use in their respective departments, since all lines of school work were represented.

In this exhibition was shown the gradual development of all the subjects of the school course, and in no department could this be seen more definitely than in arithmetic, penmanship and drawing. In arithmetic the simplest work in numbers was shown in such concrete forms as are adopted in the schools of this day. Step by step the subject was shown as taught in the schools. Papers from all the grades were carefully marked so that the visitors could at a glance, see the grade of the pupils who had prepared the papers. In writing the vertical system is used and from the lowest primary grades, through the High School, the penmanship has a marked legibility.

The first noticed in the primary work in drawing were lines, straight and curved, which were developed into geometric and natural forms. Likewise there was much drawing from nature, leaves and grasses.

The work in the Intermediate Department showed more complex forms and objects in nature were used as the motive of designs. Some of the designs evolved by children in this department were patterns and borders, oil cloth designs, and card decorations. In the Intermediate Department, work in illustration is begun. The children are encouraged to draw pictures of statements made in books. In this way some very pretty landscape drawings were produced. Of about one hundred pieces of work in this line exhibited, not one was copied. All were

prepared in the manner stated and varied as the conception in the mind of one child varies from another. Special mention should be made of the original designs in circles and borders, which in this department shows especial talent on the part of many of the children.

As the children advance they are instructed in the various styles of art, as Egyptian, Grecian, Gothic, etc., and their designs are wrought out in corresponding details. In the Grammar Department some fine work was shown in illustrations for the backs of magazines and books; some unique designs for iron work, also, borders for window shades and borders for wall paper.

Object drawing becomes more of a purpose in the instruction as pupils advance in the Grammar grades. Familiar objects are placed before them,

tom, and the title of the book and the author's name above it.

The principles of perspective were shown by a number of well executed pieces.

Mechanical drawing was next in order. Machines, sections of machines, architectural drawing and work to be used in the mechanical department of the school was exhibited. Among the work we found details of engines, pulley blocks, front elevations of towers, gothic windows and the like. In connection with this we may mention the wood work found on the table near by, which showed that the young people can carry out their designs in the manufacture of useful and ornamental articles in wood that are not only original but pretty in design. A great variety of wood work all executed by pupils embracing sloyd, turning, jointing, patternmaking,



WASHINGTON'S HEADQUARTERS AT VALLEY FORGE, 1777.

such as oranges, apples, baskets, blocks, leaves and flowers. The leaves and flowers are combined by the children into beautiful forms so as to give skill in original design. It is astonishing what a variety of unique designs are based upon the study of a single leaf when several different children work out their own conceptions. In a dozen pictures at which one may look, the same leaf appears as the ground work, while the designs are totally different in detail.

Among the various designs for book and magazine covers, one for a book, entitled "Christmas Stories," by L. M. Alcott, contains holly leaves and bells very neatly combined in an original design, while on one side of the page an angel is seen blowing a trumpet. Over the angel's head, at the upper right hand corner, is a star. Beneath is the author's name.

Another drawing, by Lydia M. Poulke, is an appropriate design for the cover of Longfellow's poem, entitled "The Bridge." She has executed a neat panel, with a drawing of a bridge at the bot-

tom, and the title of the book and the author's name above it.

carving and chasing. In turning various articles are produced, such as vases, stands, chisel handles, napkin rings and the like. In patterns there were smoothing irons, brackets and various parts of machines. In wood carving there were scrolls in acanthus, profiles, etc.

An up to date map of West Chester, drawn by B. W. Aitken, who is now in his first year in the High School, is worthy of much praise and we give it special mention because of its merit.

A variety of free hand work in charcoal by pupils of the High School shows great skill, drawing from geometrical solids and from casts showed a deftness of touch and accuracy in outline.

Brush work was introduced into the public schools of West Chester about one year ago. The main purpose is to develop the use of the brush in decorative work. Nearly seventy-five samples of work are exhibited, embracing wall paper patterns, china, decoration, centres and surfaces and patterns for embroidery.





WEST CHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

#### STUDYING EXISTING ART.

Another important feature of the art exhibit was the study of art which already exists. Among these we found the "Piper and Nutcracker," by Landseer; "Grace Darling and Her Father," by Brooks; "The Old Monarch," and "The Noble Charger," by Rosa Bonheur. In this work the picture was pasted on one side of a sheet of paper and on the opposite side the pupil's conception of it and a sketch of the artist's life. This is a new feature in the work introduced this year.

There was a great variety of map work. The drawings were outlines with sometimes only cities located; again it is the rivers or the mountains. Many maps were in water colors and finished with accuracy and skill.

#### ILLUSTRATING LITERATURE.

One of the most practical and available lines of work in the drawing department was that of illustrating literary studies. For instance, among the very fine work exhibited in the corridor was a series of drawings by J. R. McCowan, a son of Dr. McCowan, by which he illustrated "Tam O'Shanter's Ride." There were others there just as good. Many of them would make first-class magazine illustrations. In designs for wall paper, finished in colors, there were many fine specimens and in this as in every other line so many were good that it is scarcely fair to name one without naming all, but the great number of them makes particular mention impossible.

#### LANGUAGE, SCIENCE AND NATURE.

Language work, science work and nature work were on the wall, the children taking up the various objects and themes and writing essays thereon. Many essays were accompanied by a picture of the object or person named. In some instances a pencil sketch, in others, a picture cut from a newspaper

answered the purpose of presenting to the eye a view of the object described.

#### PRIMARY WORK AND SEWING.

Special attention should be called to a display of work by the children in the first year in school. The number, work and writing of some of the children of six years who have only been in school from four to five weeks was truly surprising.

A display of needlework by children in the Gay street school showed that they are making good progress. This feature of the education of the colored children was first introduced last year, 1898.

#### WRITING HISTORY.

The Junior Class in the High School for two years past have been studying history from original sources. The published correspondence of the actors in political and historic events of every sort form the data from which to write history for themselves. The archives of the Government, which are now obtainable, are very valuable in this method of study. The histories thus written were illustrated by maps drawn and colored by the pupils. The books exhibited showed great care in their preparation. The handwriting was excellent. Their teachers say they find this method to be a great gain over that formerly pursued. The graduates of the High School have, since this method was introduced, successfully passed their examinations in history whenever they have asked for admission to a college course. This method of teaching almost does away with the text book which is a mere skeleton of history at best and has the advantage besides of familiarizing the pupil with the facts surrounding the events described.

#### STUDIES IN LITERATURE.

In the study of literature, forms outlining the work prepared by Professor Kroeber are in use. These have on their first page blank spaces which are filled with the scholar's name, the class and the

date. Following this the name of an author and some one of his books, which is the subject of study. The second page is headed by the author's name and the dates of his birth and death. A synopsis of the principal events in his life. On the third page is a critical analysis of the book. On the fourth page some general remarks and a selection from the book to be committed to memory. In the class room the scholars are questioned concerning the books studied as each of them is reading a different book from the others. The recitation hour gives a glimpse into many things in literature. Each scholar in the High School reads, digests and recites upon six books in each of the four years' course in the High School. Formerly much use was made of the public library in this work.

In both physics and geometry there was a large number of exhibits. The diagrams were neatly outlined and the propositions worked out to final demonstration. In zoology not the text book alone, but animal and insect forms are studied from life; a crab, a grasshopper or a shellfish is studied and a picture drawn from the object, which is placed before the pupil on his desk. It is then dissected and examined in detail under the microscope. The drawings give the names of the various parts and the descriptions accompanying them were those made from the pupil's own investigations.

The same may be said of geology. The diagrams were attached to the papers and in this department every member of the first and second classes in the High School had exhibits there in some one of these branches with the name of the pupil attached. Special attention is given to the study of the geology of Chester county and when the course is completed graduates are prepared to take up practical work along any of the scientific studies taught in the school.

In physiology the members of the High School have accomplished much in the way of drawing, diagramming and definitely defining the human form and the use of the various bones and muscles. The nervous, venous and arterial systems seem to be subjects of special study. Throughout the entire course the study of physiology and hygiene are closely related.

The work in botany was a study by itself. About 90 specimens of plants were neatly pressed and mounted on cards. They represented that number of species, there being no duplicates among them. Each one was accompanied by the name of the individual who collected it, the date when found and the place. Its order, genus and common names were also set forth neatly written. This shows the same care and skill that was so conspicuously displayed in other departments of study.

#### BOOK KEEPING.

No more thorough system of book keeping could be taught in a public school course than West Chester High School affords. There is not only the usual instruction in single and double entry book keeping, with all the books necessary for that purpose, but a banking business is actually conducted with simulated notes, drafts, bills of exchange and other commercial papers, so that the pupils may fully understand the business of a bank and have some practical experience in conducting a banking house. Other lines of business are taken up and sales made, all the necessary collections made and book entries

kept so that no graduate starts out in the world without sufficient knowledge to conduct an ordinary business. The work in the line with the books and actual entries made were open for inspection.



BENJAMIN FRANKLIN'S CLOCK.  
(Property of West Chester State Normal School.)



A CORNER IN NORMAL SCHOOL LIBRARY.

## SCHOOL SAVINGS' BANK.

The School Savings' Bank has for several years been a part of the West Chester Public School system, this borough being the second place in the State to adopt the system. It has worked splendidly. Nearly \$20,000 have been deposited in the School Savings Bank. From the entrance of a child into the public school at six years of age it is encouraged to bring its savings every Monday morning. Each teacher keeps a record of the deposits of each one under her care, and the gross sum is deposited in the Dime Savings Bank. An account is kept there with the pupils and many hundreds of dollars are saved that might otherwise be foolishly spent in ways that would be detrimental to the child. The exhibit explained the system in detail and was well worthy of study by all visitors.

West Chester public schools have had but four Principals since the borough erected a building, the old Barnard Street School, for public school uses. Sanford Culver was Principal from 1847 to 1860, and was succeeded by Prof. A. A. Meader, from 1860 to 1866. Miss Sarah Starkweather, from 1866 to 1889, and Addison L. Jones from 1889 to the present time, 1890. These four, with other prominent educators of West Chester and Chester county, were conveniently grouped for the study of visitors.

The exhibition of the handwork of the public schools, as well as that shown by the other schools of the borough, added much to the interest of the Centennial Celebration. The thousands of visitors that thronged the corridors daily showed the appreciation and pleasure that they found seeking out the lines of work in which their children or friends were proficient. The degree of excellence attained by the pupils was frequent cause for comment. West Chester has long been known as an educational centre, and its Centennial exhibition of school

work showed to the world that the quality of work done by the pupils in the schools is as fine as the best.

## NORMAL SCHOOL ART EXHIBIT.

FROM an educational standpoint the art exhibit of the State Normal School was a decided success. It has been the aim of the instructor in this department, Miss Esther M. Groome, to make the students independent in their work, so that when called upon to teach drawing or painting they may do so intelligently. After the students have finished their book work, which consists of geometric, mechanical design and pictorial drawing, the remainder of the work is entirely original, all drawings and paintings being made from objects, if it be pictorial work, and if designing, a flower or plant is assigned the class from which they are expected to draw a design which would be suitable for decoration.

A class of twenty were assigned the same plant to be used as a motive for a pattern in wall paper, the treatment in line and color to be original. When finished it was found no two paintings were alike.

The first requirement in color is a chart showing the eighteen key tones, beginning with violet red and ending with red violet, thus giving the spectrum colors with intermediate tones. Objects are grouped and placed before the students which they are expected to draw and paint.

On entering Court Room No. 2, their first work in painting was seen. It consisted of colored geometric solids arranged in groups, the lesson taught here being values in light and shade, combined with color. The several charts of autumn leaves, tulips,



THE CHAPEL OF STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

lilacs and nasturtiums, with their brilliant colors, together with the almost numberless studies of spring flowers and shrubs, such as dog wood, lilac, apple blossoms, etc., in more delicate tones gave variety, not only to the visitors, but also to the students in their work. Fruits and vegetable studies were also an interesting feature of the exhibition. Some of the students who did excellent work in all departments were Elizabeth Stradling, Oakford; Victoria Fletcher, Media; Beulah Pasci'ali, West Chester; Katherine Bressler, Tower City; Alice Downie, India; Carrie Bitting, Reading.

Horace Webster, Ercildoum; Sara Phillips, Atglen; Roy Licking, Delta, York county; Louis G. McCauley, Susquehanna, Pa.; J. W. Dolby, Coatesville; Harold Hellyer, Penn's Park; W. A. Cawley, Springtown, Bucks county; Joseph Davis, Sara Wetherill, Chester; Meta Wright, Trenton; Margaret Ross, Mauch Chunk; Isabelle Rutherford, Lynn Hershey, Harrisburg; Irene Wagner, Mount Clare; Bertha Webb, Unionville; Maggie Weir, Ridley Park.

The paintings have since been sent to Paris to be exhibited along with other art work from Pennsylvania.

The scientific department of the State Normal School was represented by many drawings which showed the result of study in natural history. One of the striking exhibits was an immense oyster, with detail of digestive organs and means of locomotion. There were specimens of native insects and animals nicely mounted, and many pressed specimens of flowers and plants which are familiar here.

The whole of Court Room No. 2 was filled with the work sent by the Normal School, and it was prettily arranged on large frames and tables made for the purpose.

## DISTINGUISHED EDUCATORS.

**T**HIRTEEN CABINET of distinguished educators who have had more or less to do with making the educational system of West Chester what it is to-day contained several once well known here who are now deceased. Others are still with us or engaged in educational labor elsewhere. Besides the four Principals of West Chester Schools, the following were seen in the collection: Prof. George L. Maris, former Principal of the West Chester State Normal School, now Principal of the George School, at Newtown, Bucks county. Underneath him is the portrait of Prof. George M. Phillips, the present Principal of the Normal School.

A fine portrait of the late Bayard Taylor, who published his first book while working as a printer in West Chester.

The picture of Miss Delia L. Meader, a daughter of Professor Meader, and long a teacher in the public school, but now deceased.

Prof. J. Hunter Worrall, who long ago taught a private school in West Chester, but is now deceased, was represented by a good picture as he looked when in middle life.

State Superintendent of Public Schools Hon. J. P. Wickersham, who was afterwards Minister to Denmark, occupied a central place in the group. He was a native of Chester county.

Dr. Isaac Massey, who was a member of the West Chester School Board for several years preceding his death, was recognized by many visitors.

Addison May, at one time a member of the School Board, now deceased, and Dr. Jesse C. Green, many years ago the Secretary of the Board, hung side by side. The Doctor still lives and takes an interest in all that pertains to the schools.

Antoine Bolmar, who long taught a boys' boarding school in West Chester.

Judge J. Smith Futey and Rev. William E. Moore, D. D., who served as members of the School Board many years ago, were in one frame side by side.

Prof. E. H. Cook, A. M., Ph. D., who was Principal of the West Chester Normal School in 1871 and 1872, and Prof. William Chandler, A. M., M. D., who was Principal in 1872 and 1873.

Seven Roman Catholic priests who have had part in building up St. Agnes' Parish School, were exhibited: Rev. John J. Wall, 1871-72, founder of the school; Rev. John Cox, 1872-73; Rev. J. Donegan, 1874-77; Rev. Thomas W. Power, 1877-78; Rev.

Three studies by Miss Anna Egan. Horse's head and two German studies in figures.

Dog in Sopia crayon, by Miss E. Grady; Profile, Miss E. Grady.

Three studies, Dog, Goat and Child with Goat, by Miss Anna Nolan.

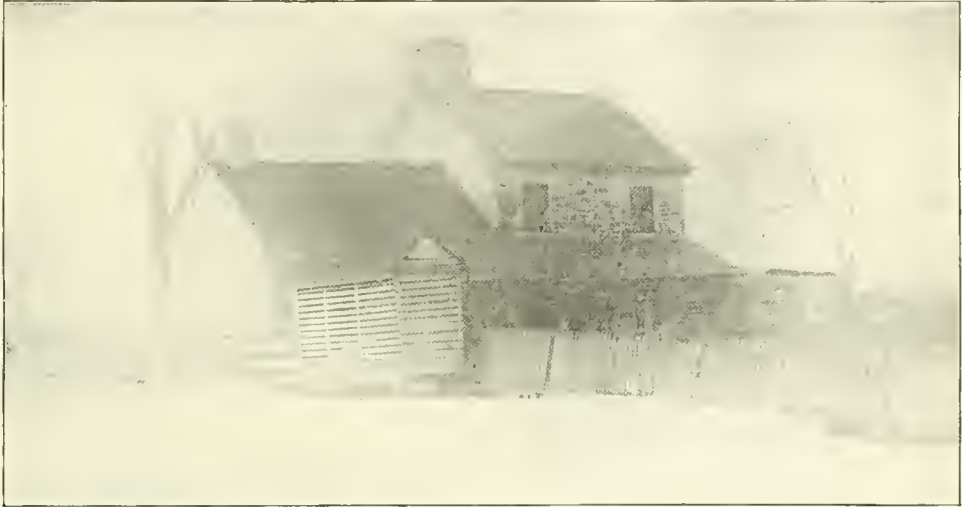
Little Girl, Boy's Head, Two Dogs, by Miss M. Devaney.

Goat, Child with Dog, Dog's Head, by Miss M. O'Neill.

Boy Holding Cat, by Miss R. McKenna.

Girl Crowned with Roses (German study), Roses, Cow, by Miss Agnes Egan.

Two Studies, Horse's Head, Grapes, by Miss Annie Gibney.



BIRTHPLACE OF THOMAS BUCHANAN READ,

At "Corner Ketch," three miles above Downingtown. Sketched by Miss Anna Belle Swayne, of Kennett

Hugh Garvey, 1878-80; Rev. D. J. McDermott, 1880-85; Rev. S. B. Spalding, 1885 to the present time.

## VILLA MARIA EXHIBIT.

**T**HE penwork exhibited by Villa Maria Academy presented specimens of artistic penmanship in all its varieties. Lettering and figures of Egyptian, Grotesque, Gothic, Rustic, German Text and different French styles were represented. The Spencerian system was displayed upon black sheets in white ink.

The drawings presented were purely free-hand, no tracing. There were Corinthian columns, with Acanthus leaf decorations, also several original designs in Egyptian and Grecian ornamentation.

The larger studies in crayon were taken from Landseers and the best French and German artists. Among the numerous studies in crayon, the following might be mentioned as attracting special attention:

Goat, by Miss M. McArdle.

Little Snow Sweeper, by Miss A. McCullough.

Study in Sopia Crayon, Hunting Dog.

Little Snow Sweeper, by Miss Nellie Farrell.

And the very beautiful study in black crayon, "Thoroughbred," by Miss Mary Hastings.

In the Department for Fancy Work were seen some very exquisite specimens of embroidery and lace work, such as the two Renaissance lace squares, 32x32 inches, and six Honiton lace doilies, done by Miss McCullough; Renaissance square, 32x32 inches, by Miss Lillian Fromme; one-half dozen doilies in drawn work, by Miss Lillian Fromme; Honiton centre piece and doilies, by Miss Mary Hastings; Pillow Shams in drawn work, by Miss Sarah McGrath.

Sofa Pillows, white satin with red carnations, white satin with forget-me-nots, Miss M. O'Neill.

Sofa Pillow, green silk, in red roses, Miss L. Grady.

Sofa Pillow, green satin in pink roses, Miss M. Kelly.

Sofa Pillow, white silk, in Marechal Niel roses, Miss Anna Madden.

Miss Annie Gibney had a white damask lunch

cloth, embroidered with Jacqueminot roses, and an easel scarf of yellow silk and bolting cloth done in pansies.

Five sets, table linens, lunch cloths and doilies, were exhibited by Miss L. Nolan, Miss M. Keffer, Miss M. Kelly, Miss M. McArdle and Miss L. Grady.

China painting, oil painting and water colors combined to make the art department most brilliant and attractive.

Miss Mary V. Farrell, a graduate of this institution, kindly loaned two beautiful pictures to the collection, one a well-defined "Irish Setter," and the other "The Parting of Naomi and Ruth." This latter excited the admiration of all who saw it, and was pronounced by connoisseurs a very meritorious work.

Miss Annie G. Farrell also contributed a double panel with two well-executed "Moose" in their native haunts.

### ST. AGNES' SCHOOL.

THE drawings exhibited by the children of St. Agnes' School ranged from the simplest designs of the lowest grades to more difficult ones shown in class work of the Lotus and Athenion combined. Besides there were many studies in crayon, among which were "The Holy Face," horse, dog, horses' heads and stag by James B. McFadden; cow by Willie J. Corcoran; landscape by Willie A. Cannon, deer by Joseph R. McCool, landscape by James J. Leon-

ard, landscape by Mamie Moran, landscape by Maggie Sheller, dog by Lillian Farrell, landscapes by Lillian and Anna Donovan, horses' heads and dogs' heads by Anita Davis, landscape by Lucy Finegan, flowers by Clara Lacey, landscape and fruit by May Leonard and many other landscapes and drawings of objects by pupils of the different grades.

The pen work of the children is shown principally in the object and science lessons of the lower grades, and in the compositions and ornamental text of the higher grades.

### DARLINGTON SEMINARY.

THE exhibit made by Darlington Seminary was almost entirely in the line of art studies. The curriculum of the school embraces every branch of a liberal education, but much of that does not admit of display in the same way that the art work is shown. Among the exhibits may be mentioned the following:

In a glass case some fine hand painted china, the work of pupils in the school, was displayed. In the centre of a large rack filled with the handiwork of the pupils was an oil painting of Professor Richard Darlington, then Principal of the School. It was painted by Alma Royer, of Chicago, one of his former pupils, and presented to him.

Several landscape pictures and some good animal portraits in oil were among the work of pupils in the school.



THE OLD OLOF STROMBERG HOUSE.  
One of the first log dwellings erected on High Street.

# BURGESS TALBOT NEATLY SURPRISED.

The Centennial Committee Tendered Him a Banquet and a Handsome Loving Cup.

**I**N COUNCIL CHAMBERS in the Assembly Building, November 26th, 1899, a delightful feast was held in honor of Burgess C. Wesley Talbot, when the Centennial Executive Committee, which had arranged the affair, presented him with a beautiful silver loving cup of large size.

During the early evening President I. Roberts Comfort, of the Borough Council, met the Burgess by appointment, in the office of the latter, for consultation on the ordinances of the town. The two talked of trolley lines and paving, fast driving, the steam roller, the Public Library, the water supply and the system of street lighting for an hour. When they had about exhausted all the topics in town, and Mr. Comfort was wondering what to suggest as the next resort, Chief of Police Robert O. Jefferis entered the office and asked Burgess Talbot to come to Police Headquarters.

"What is wrong?" asked the Burgess.

"There are some fellows who want a hearing," replied the officer.

"Are they old offenders?"

"No, they have never been up before."

"Where are they from?"

"From the country, I think."

So the conversation ran, and Mr. Comfort was wondering again how long this could be carried on, as all three sauntered up the street together.

Arriving at the Assembly Building, Mr. Jefferis slipped his arm into that of the Borough Executive and said, "I want to see you upstairs a minute before you go in there."

By this time the Burgess felt that he had already been seen at some length, but he good-naturedly walked up stairs, and when the two entered Council Chambers, and the full beauty of the scene therein burst upon him, he realized why he had been kept so close in his office. Twenty-five of the prominent men of the town were assembled there in the improvised banquetting hall, to greet him with the clapping of hands and many exclamations of welcome. For a time he was speechless, but before the night had grown old he had resumed his composure, and was as much at ease as any of the others.

## WHAT THE SCENE WAS LIKE.

The Council Chambers consist of two handsome apartments, one a spacious room sufficiently large for the Borough Fathers to occupy during their regular and special sessions, and the other a smaller one suitable for committees. The two are separated by folding doors, which on this occasion were opened wide, making one grand salon which had been transformed into a banquetting hall. The place was brilliantly illuminated by means of wax candles and glowing incandescents of multiplied power. From end to end extended a long table covered with snowy linen and resplendent with the finest of silver, china and glassware.

As a centerpiece a huge frosted silver candelabrum with five burners stood casting its bright rays over the bountiful feast, and at the ends were twin candlesticks to match this. A great basket of roses



CUP PRESENTED TO BURGESS C. W. TALBOT.

and chrysanthemums occupied a position near the head of the table, while between this and the foot were tall stem dishes of fruit and other delicacies, reinforced by immense plates of cold tongue and turkey. Fine needlework was represented, too, in the pieces of embroidery which served as further ornaments.

## PRETTY MENUS.

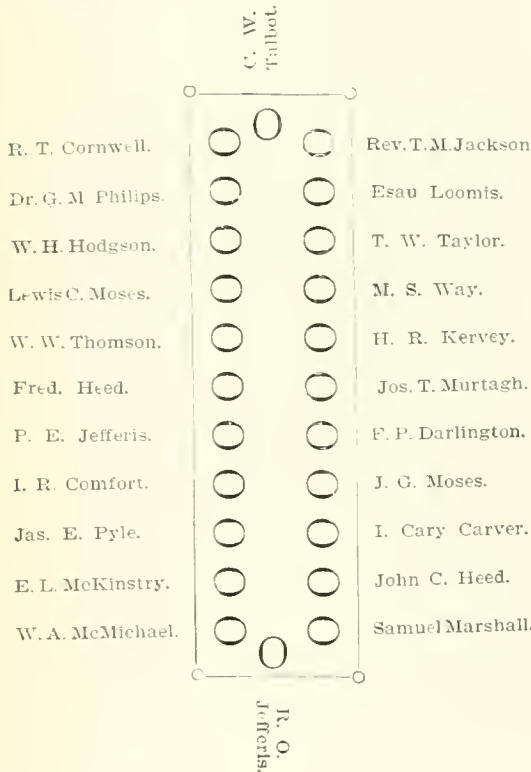
Covers had been laid for two dozen, and at every place was a unique menu card consisting of a large Centennial souvenir envelope with the bill of fare printed thereon. At the side was a neat little likeness of the person who was to occupy this chair. The faces had been deftly cut from a photograph of the committee taken in a group, and were pasted on the envelopes and surrounded by a bit of ornamental work in colors. These pictures caused many expressions of pleasure and surprise. In addition to this, every member found his name written in a bold Spencian hand on a card, and beside it a pretty boutonniere of rosebuds or carnations, backed by maidenhair fern.

REAL WORK BEGINS.

After the Burgess had recovered from his astonishment at the beautiful scene, the guests were asked to surround the table when a blessing was asked by Rev. Thomas M. Jackson, formerly of this borough, but now of Philadelphia. Then the feasting began, and the company went through the admirable bill of fare all the way from the luscious bivalves served at the beginning to the fragrant Havanas with which the banquet closed. There were many exchanges of compliments gracefully given and accepted, and innumerable pleasantries at which the laugh went round. This is what was served:

- Oysters on Half Shell,
- Ox-tail Soup,
- Oyster Croquettes, with French Peas,
- Cold Turkey, Cranberry Sauce,
- Cold Tongue, Lobster Salad,
- Olives, Celery, Pickles,
- Banquet Wafers,
- Sweitzer and Fromage de Brie,
- Ice Cream and Cakes, Fruit and Nuts,
- Coffee, Cigars.

Every man appeared to have his favorite dish, though all performed their full duty throughout, and this part of the feast was voted a grand triumph. At the head of the table sat Burgess Talbot, and at the foot was Chief of Police Jefferis, who had performed valiant work as the caterer for the occasion. Other loyal citizens were arranged on either side thus:



There were four absentees, members of the committee who for various reasons had not been able

to attend, namely, Auditor General L. G. McCauley, Superintendent Addison L. Jones, Gilbert Cope and P. M. Sharples.

SPEECHMAKING BEGINS.

"Is a motion in order?" asked W. W. Thomson, rising in his chair about the time the clock struck ten, and when the viands had been pretty thoroughly disposed of.

The Burgess replied affirmatively.

"I move you, then," said Mr. Thomson, "that by way of variety Captain Cornwell make us a speech."

This meeting with the hearty approval of all present, the veteran military man was called to the floor, and for several minutes he addressed the chair and the company, during which time Joseph T. Murtagh was seen quietly unwrapping a mysterious package in one corner of the room.

Captain Cornwell said:

"Mr. Chairman and fellow members of the Executive Committee of the West Chester Centennial Celebration:—It is a delight to meet under conditions so pleasant. You have performed all the duties of your appointments. You have performed them well; and by way of winding up the campaign, have audited all the accounts, paid all the bills and placed the surplus where it would do the most good.

"Before taking our leave one of another, it is fitting that we should make report of our stewardship to some one, and as we owe our several appointments to our Chairman, we conclude that he is the proper person to receive the report.

"The celebration was a great success. We are assured of this from all quarters. Nothing in the history of the town ever surpassed it. Everybody took part. All helped it along, and no event has been characterized with greater unity of purpose, or brought our people of town and county in relations so closely sympathetic.

"Even those who had gone to live in other and distant States, could not withstand the temptation to return and renew the ties which bound them to their early home.

"West Chester has received many plaudits from within and without for the highly successful manner in which the celebration was conducted. While attending Superior Court in Philadelphia this week, I heard many congratulatory references to it. One example will suffice: A prominent lawyer of Philadelphia, counsel for the Sheriff of the city, stated to the speaker, that he was many years ago a volunteer fireman of Philadelphia, and that the body of visitors from that city representing the firemen of years ago, who took part in the parade on Firemen's Day, were greatly delighted with the reception they received here and, when they returned to the city, spoke in highest praise of the enthusiasm evinced by the people, their liberality to visitors, and of the beautiful and bountiful decorations of the town. This of course related to the Firemen's Day exhibits, but like references were made to the exercises of every day of the celebration. What is said of one must be said of all, and what is said by one is acquiesced in by all.

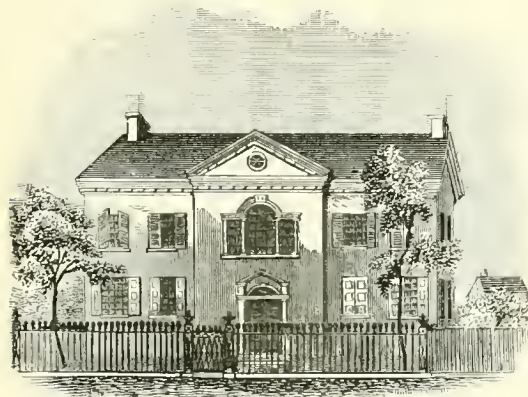
"The first day's exercises in the Assembly Building were all that could be desired. The oration, the singing of representative children from all the schools of the town, the hymn, the ode, everything was delightful and satisfying. We have never enjoyed its like before, and it will be long before we hear and witness its equal again.



"The school exhibits and the very large collection of the products and implements of the olden times, displayed in the Court House, were a revelation to our people and won the spontaneous thanks of all visitors. Those ladies and gentlemen who with indefatigable labor got together and arranged these exhibits, deserve great credit and the thanks of the entire community.

"Civic Day and Firemen's Day were days of parade. Both displays were pronounced and excellent. Every individual participating did his whole duty, from the Chief Marshal down, and the entire performance carried with it the sympathy and plaudits of all who were present.

"And now it is proper to say to you, Mr. Chair-



The Old Academy School, Gay Street, West Chester.

man, what everybody concedes: that we are indebted to you more than to any other individual for the success of the occasion. We all had our doubts as to the wisdom of attempting a three days' display. You thought it was practicable, and if practicable, highly desirable, because it would avoid telescoping one exercise into another and thus detracting from each. We doubted the possibility of keeping a crowd here during a three days' celebration. It was thought that every visitor would pick out one day to come, and that might concentrate the crowd upon one day only. But you were full of the conviction that it could be carried through, and putting your energy into the work you carried it through. You have met with more committees and met more times with each committee, probably, than some of the members. Your judgment has been vindicated and we have all derived the advantage of a thoroughly successful display on three separate days of a distinct exhibition, which enabled each visitor to give it his or her undivided attention.

"And now, Mr. Chairman, in recognition of your services, and as a slight token of the respect and esteem which the contributors entertain for you, as a man and a citizen, we present to you this loving cup. We hope that it may be handed down from generation to generation of your descendants, and that each may draw from it, and the inscription thereon, lessons of patriotism, and of the good will and high regard that have prompted the gift."

At this moment there was a gleam of sparkling silver and a great tankard capable of holding about half a gallon was placed in front of the Burgess,

its three handles extending out in the direction of the company. It bore the following inscription:

"Presented to C. Wesley Talbot, Esq., Chief Burgess, by his friends and associates of the Executive Committee of the Centennial Celebration, in grateful recognition of his pre-eminent services in the celebration of the Centennial Anniversary of the incorporation of West Chester, Oct. 11th, 12th and 13th, 1899."

#### THE BURGESS RESPONDS.

Burgess Talbot was at first almost overcome with emotion, but in a few moments he was able to make a capital speech, beginning with a humorous story, and declaring that the whole affair of the evening was a matter of which he had never been in the least suspicious.

"I look back upon the Centennial as a bright, bright dream," said he. "The thoughts of it are dear to me. There is not a man who was my fellow worker in this celebration but I became better acquainted with him. I was charmed with the result of the celebration, but I do not feel that I deserve any more credit than others for the success of the Centennial. I should never have consented to become a candidate for the office of Chief Burgess of the borough of West Chester had it not been for the idea which had been suggested to me, that during my administration the Centennial of our borough would be celebrated. After I took the oath of office, my first determination was that the celebration should occur. There was scarcely a night but I thought of this, and laid plans for the celebration, wondering how they could best be carried out.

"I first thought of calling a town meeting, but



P. M. Sharples,



I. Roberts Comfort,

Two members of Executive Committee who were not present when photograph was taken in front of Court House.

then I remembered some of the old town meetings which used to be held in old Horticultural Hall when I first came to West Chester. I then decided to call a committee around me, but I could not feel certain for a time about the selection of the men. This caused me a great deal of thought, but I think I made no mistakes in choosing them.

"It gave pleasure to us and to our friends who had gone away from here, and I have not been so affected as in seeing the letters which were written by former citizens, especially one in the Local News the other day from Harry Bolmar, who spoke of tears coming to his eyes when he read of the old

citizens who had passed away and the children who have come into high positions.

"I feel that the appropriation which was made by the Borough Council was, as Captain Cornwell has suggested, one of the best investments which the town could make, and the Centennial was its best advertisement.

"The celebration was not for West Chester alone, but for the people of the county, who at first were inclined to feel that West Chester people were all cold and stiff, but afterward the people of the county looked upon this as their show.

"The exercises of Wednesday in the Assembly Building were a delight. So were the proceedings on the other days. I do not want to omit the display over here in the Court House. It was a fine collection, and so arranged that every one could come here and enjoy it.

"Among those who labored earnestly in this department, though not members of the committee, were two noble women, Mrs. E. Dallett Hemphill and daughter, who devoted their time and their best efforts to it.

"The people felt that the celebration was their celebration, and that they had performed a part of the work.

"Now I propose that you erect some suitable memorial, a lasting marker which may stand until the next Centennial celebration rolls round, and which may tell those who come after us that we have done what we could. I think it would be well to erect a granite pillar on the Court House lawn, and on its four sides have the medallions of distinguished Chester comitians. Let the likeness of General Anthony Wayne, for instance, be on one side; on another, James B. Everhart; Bayard Taylor on the third, and on the fourth some man like General Galusha A. Pennypacker. I wish to have this matter considered earnestly."

#### DR. PHILIPS SPEAKS.

Dr. G. M. Philips, who was next called upon, said gracefully that the people of the town have almost quit talking about the Centennial, but the State has not. "I hear about it wherever I go. Yesterday I was at York attending a Teachers' Institute, and there I met a gentleman who sat down by me and spoke of the great time we had in West Chester. I hear about this on the cars, and in every place I go." Dr. Philips closed by remarking that as Burgess Talbot was the mainspring of the Celebration, he gave so much enthusiasm that any committee would have worked well with him. Before taking his seat, he read the inscription on the cup, and expressed the hope that one hundred years hence the borough, which by that time will be a city, shall have as efficient a head.

#### REV. T. M. JACKSON'S TURN.

Rev. T. M. Jackson, of Philadelphia, being called upon for remarks, spoke thus:

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen:—I feel that my first duty this evening is to express my high appreciation of the honor conferred upon me and my keen enjoyment of the privilege of participating with you in this the crowning event of West Chester's Centennial celebration.

Every true Pennsylvanian is proud of the early history of the State and of its founder, the immortal Penn. It is a source of sincere pleasure to us who are gathered here to know that no part of Pennsyl-

vania stands more closely identified with that early history than the county of Chester. For it was upon its soil that the reign of even-handed justice and fraternity were first planted by the Quaker proprietor, and here they were established most firmly. Here the ideal home life which William Penn crossed the seas to establish found much of its highest perfection, and in the isolation of the Brandywine hills a community grew up that exemplified to the world the power of benevolent ideas and the incentives of a lofty conception of human duty and character.

Careful students of the philosophy of history inform us that three purposes were dominant in the colonization of the New World. Spain subordinated everything to the quest for gold. France sought the natural products of the forests, which she poured into her markets for the enrichment of the nation. England established her settlements on the lines of her own civilization with a view to commercial advantage, but also to increase and maintain the power of the British throne by the extension and increase of the English speaking people. William Penn came to demonstrate a corollary greater than



PORTRAIT OF GEN. ANTHONY WAYNE.

the main proposition of his nation. He came to establish conditions under which society might enjoy peace, prosperity and social equality, and possess the opportunity of development in the lines of its highest good. The Greek sculptor who proposed to cut a mountain into a colossal image of Olympian Jove, with a river in one hand and a town in the other had, in his conception, attained one of the loftiest attitudes ever reached by human genius, but he was surpassed by William Penn, who devoted himself to the work of making men according to the highest ideal of the ages. West Chester has nobly carried forward the purpose of the founder of the Commonwealth during the first century of her corporate existence. Her contributions of intelligence, character and efficiency to the intellectual, moral and material progress of our country can not be overestimated.

We have to-day a proof of the truth of my statement, for around me are representative men of West Chester, to whom, without fulsome adulation, I would give the highest honor and sincerest praise.

These are the men to whose intelligence, industry and self sacrifice is due the splendid celebration,

the memory of which lingers with us as a glorious dream. These men inspired the citizens of this town, little given to display, to deck their houses with flags and bunting. They gathered in an incredibly short time an extensive, interesting and instructive collection of relics, illustrative of the progress of the century. They spread the work of the children of the schools before the eyes of their astonished elders. They summoned the poets with lyres of gold and orators whose words are trumpet blasts to the march of human progress. They piled the noble arches, and as if by the magic of Aladdin's lamp brought into existence the Court of Honor, like a palace of snow, gorgeous with color and resplendent with light. Obedient to their call enthusiastic multitudes thronged the streets, while marching thousands, bearing the trophies of her progress, did homage to the fair city whose head was crowned in honor of her hundred glorious years.

But without invidious distinction I may say

perspective of this event and take pleasure in raising my voice in your honor to-night. May your days be many to enjoy the confidence and esteem of your fellow men! May this silver trophy be a source of pride and pleasure while you live, and when the shadows of a final evening gather may you go forth under the clear starlit sky to receive the reward of a true man.

Afterward there were speeches by nearly all the other men present, and the committee adjourned after midnight, to meet at the call of the chair and consider the matter of erecting a memorial stone.

### FUNDS WERE SUFFICIENT.

A Balance of \$486.25 Was Distributed Among the Firemen.



BIRMINGHAM MEETING HOUSE.

ON THE 14th of November, 1899, the Centennial Executive Committee held its final meeting in Council Chambers in the Assembly Building, and after transacting what business remained on hand, adjourned sine die.

There were many expressions of pleasure at the success and excellence of the Celebration, and the harmony which had prevailed among the members of the Committee during the weeks and months in which the work had been progressing.

The funds raised for the demonstration, amounting to \$5630.93, had proved ample, and a balance of \$486.25 remained in the hands of the Treasurer. This surplus was voted to the three fire companies of the town, to be divided equally among them.

The financial report is appended:  
Summary of receipts and expenditures of the West Chester Centennial Celebration, held October 11th, 12th and 13th, 1899.

#### RECEIPTS.

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Donation, borough of West Chester.....                     | \$2500 00       |
| Contribution by citizens and others.....                   | 1324 50         |
| Advertisements in official programme and sale of same..... | 1165 29         |
| Sale of official envelopes.....                            | 100 55          |
| Collected, special on account of Civic Committee.....      | 148 00          |
| Entertainment, Opera House, Special Attraction.....        | 97 49           |
| Sale of badges.....  | 355 10          |
|  | <hr/> \$5630 93 |

#### EXPENDITURES.

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Committee on Printing and Publicity.....   | \$272 93        |
| Committee on Invitation and Reception..... | 161 73          |
| Committee on Programme.....                | 1215 20         |
| Committee on Music.....                    | 265 81          |
| Committee on Entertainment.....            | 492 94          |
| Committee on Civic Display.....            | 373 82          |
| Committee on Trades Display.....           | 119 22          |
| Committee on Historical Museum.....        | 131 75          |
| Committee on Education.....                | 34 42           |
| Committee on Electrical Display.....       | 217 25          |
| Committee on Decorations.....              | 465 00          |
| Committee on Special Attractions.....      | 239 89          |
| Committee on Firemen.....                  | 750 00          |
| Committee on Badges.....                   | 304 72          |
| Treasurer West Chester Fire Company.....   | 162 09          |
| Treasurer Fame Fire Company.....           | 162 08          |
| Treasurer Good Will Fire Company.....      | 162 08          |
|  | <hr/> \$5630 93 |

I. CARY CARVER,

Treasurer Centennial Committee.

there is one who stands pre-eminent in honor among the promoters of the splendid event of October, 1899. It is Charles Wesley Tallot, the Centennial Chief Burgess of West Chester, and the Chairman of the Executive Committee. He was a leader of whom all are proud. His intelligence, unflinching ardor, patience and manly devotion were an unfulfilling inspiration to all his associates.

Mr. Chairman, this silver loving cup, beautiful and valuable as it is, expresses only the just estimate of your associates of the value of your services and inspiration in directing the great enterprise, the honor of which they share with you. If this cup were of solid gold and were set with diamonds of the first water, it could not signify more than it is intended to do. As one not connected officially with your body, I believe I possess the true

# BANDS AND DRUM CORPS.

Organizations Which Have Furnished Music on the Streets of West Chester.



PROF. JOHN R. SWENEY.

**W**EST CHESTER has always shown a liking for good music. The Friendly element in her population has restrained her from plunging madly into excesses; the strong intellectuality of the people has led to the selection of the best. Hence her musical organizations have been as a rule composed of men of superior taste, and their productions have been excellent. The fact that several of her sons and daughters have become eminent, or at least famous, is a source of pride even to many of those who do not understand the science nor hold it in the highest esteem.

## WAYNE BRASS BAND.

Previous to the year 1840, and perhaps as early as the beginning of the century, the notes of brazen instruments were familiar to the ears of the populace, but the memory of the oldest inhabitants records vivid pictures of the Wayne Brass Band, which flourished late in the thirties. Prof. Keyser was the instructor and leader in those days, and the place of meeting was the school room under Cabinet Hall, the same apartment now used as the Post Office. With one or two exceptions the old members have passed away, but many of them are remembered well by those who were boys and girls about that time. Some of the players and their in-

struments were as follows: Robert Smith, Robert Engle, bugle; Thomas John, Abram Still, French horns; William Sweney, William Frame, sliding trombones; Titus Worth, clarinet; William Miner, cornet; Philip Eisenbeis, bass drum; Barclay Williamson, bass horn.

About 1848 several younger men joined the organization, and Caleb Fitzsimmons became the leader, after which time the band made several trips out of town, and finally dissolved.

## TAYLOR'S BAND.

It was nearly ten years later that the next effort to organize a band was successful, and that was under the management of John H. Taylor, who conducted it until the beginning of the Civil War, when it was merged into a regimental band and went to the front to play beneath the Stars and Stripes, as an escort to the 97th Regiment, P. V. Taylor's Band was the inspiration to which the clubs marched when Abraham Lincoln was a candidate for the Presidency. The first parade was July 4th, 1859. During its history the membership included Joseph Cogley, B. H. Sweney, cornets; George Cardwell, b-flat cornet; John R. Sweney, tenor; Richard T. Elliott, Joseph T. Murtagh, alto; William Dallings, Bernard Roecker, bass horns; Chris Roecker, trombone; Jesse Kirk, bass drum; Mr. Haines, Lancaster, rattle drum. There were no cymbals.

## SWENEY'S BAND.

After Taylor's Band had gone to the front, there was no band in West Chester for a year or two, though the need of one was frequently felt. John R. Sweney, who later won distinction as a leader of choirs and choruses, undertook to manage an organization, and on three weeks' notice he had a band in readiness to play at a large Methodist Sunday School reunion held in Everhart's Grove, the reunion being under the direction of Sanford Culver, the popular Superintendent of the Public Schools. Music was furnished, also, for the frequent reviews which were held at Colonel Hyatt's Military Academy, which was located where the Convent of the Immaculate Heart now is. The band flourished for several years, its last leader being Dr. George G. Cardwell.

The players in Sweney's Band, as now recollected, were these: George Cardwell, cornet; William Dallings, tuba; W. A. S. Ingram, alto; Kennard Gould, tenor; Henry Sweney, baritone; Chris Roecker, tenor; Edward Long, tuba; Charles Riley, drum; Nathan Broomall, alto; William Hemphill (brother to Court Crier Hemphill), second tenor; Edward Letford, Joseph Sweney, Austin Fithian, drums; Evan Watson, cymbals; Hannum W. Gray, bass drum.

It is shown by records now in existence that in 1866, the old instruments having been worn out in service, a committee consisting of Henry S. Evans, William Apple, David Jones, Jefferson Shaner and T. Darlington Meredith, was appointed to solicit if possible the sum of \$600, for the purchase of new instruments. The people of the town and vicinity



HIGH STREET, SOUTH FROM UNION.

cheerfully subscribed \$690.60, of which sum \$648 was collected. September 18th, 1870, the instruments were handed over to the younger men, who had organized under the name of the West Chester Cornet Band, the old band having passed out of existence. A receipt to the old Trustees was given by Hannum W. Gray.

#### WEST CHESTER MUSICAL ASSOCIATION.

After Prof. Sweney had moved to Dover, where he became leader of the Third Regiment Band of Delaware, serving through the Rebellion, and his old band had gradually passed out of existence, a new company was organized by Dr. Cardwell, under the name of the West Chester Musical Association. It consisted of half a dozen men who played cornets well, and who furnished the music at public gatherings. Talented men of Philadelphia were frequently engaged to play with this Association, and Prof. Welker was one who often came to assist the home talent. Charles Sumner Shields, now of Williamsport, and Harry, son of John H. Taylor, were among the regular players.

#### LIBERTY CORNET BAND.

For thirty years and more the notes of the Liberty Cornet Band have been heard on the air of West Chester in all times of public demonstration, and the music has the advantage of being well played and up to date. James Spence was the originator of the band, and the first leader, in 1868. The original practice was in a little frame house on East Miner street, opposite the Magnolia House. Leaders since Mr. Spence, who for a long time was

at the head of the organization, were James Biddle, William Thomas, and Wilson Luff, the present efficient head. Some of the early players of prominence were Moses G. Hepburn, James Anderson and Alec Gladman.

#### T. A. B. BAND.

On Thanksgiving Day, 1874, the T. A. B. Cornet Band was organized, under the leadership of William S. Bowen, and it continued for a period of five years. Its first place of meeting was a room over the Good Will Engine House, on North Church street. At that time the spelling bee craze was at its height, and this band attended a great many of the contests. Some of the members occasionally were inclined to take part in the bees, and a few became excellent spellers. Music was furnished, also, for the Minute Men, in 1876. The later headquarters of the band were on East Market street, over the present business stand of Walter Darlington. The members were Patrick J. Barry, Jerry Connor, James Moran, Michael J. Murphy, Thomas O'Neill, Edward Roach, Bernard Noonan, John Sullivan, John C. Rogers, James Maguire, Michael Farrell, John Farrell, James Lacey, James Milllizer, Thomas Hayes, John Dulin, Patrick Cronin. The Trustees were Peter McDermott, Patrick Welsh and Henry Grant.

#### WEST CHESTER CORNET BAND.

Some sixteen years ago the West Chester Cornet Band, which still bears its name, was organized with Edward Morrison as leader. Successive leaders have been Edward C. Hoopes, L. D. Hyatt,

George Shule and William Buxton. Comfortable rooms on West Gay street are occupied, and the organization is in fine condition. In 1890 the band was chartered, its members at that time being as follows: Louis N. Davis, President; Daniel Sanderlin, Secretary; John Dulin, Treasurer; Herman Roecker, Milton A. Watson, John W. Nutt, Trustees; L. D. Hyatt, Leader; Arlington A. H. Canizares, Howard C. Johnson, Anthony Dallings, Holland B. Heck, Charley Heck, Monte Canizares, Frank Taylor, Harry Priest, William Buxton, Charles Riley, George E. Kane, Harry Humpton, Taylor Archer.

These are the present players: H. Taylor Archer, President, bass drum; J. Howard Broomall, Vice President, cymbals; J. William Buxton, Leader and Manager, bass; John H. Mowere, Secretary and Treasurer, b-flat cornet; Charles Riley, Harry Humpton, drums; W. Harry Priest, bass; Elmer Rogers, William G. Baldwin, baritone; J. Hayward Rogers, John W. Nutt, W. Lewis Heck, trombones; Holland B. Heck, solo alto; Milton A. Watson, Charles Hinkle, Harry Wilson, alto; A. Parke Patrick, E. Earl Patrick, Charles Heck, Archie Battin, Howard Shingle, Harmon B. Rogers, b-flat cornets; Ivan D. Emery, e-flat cornet; Lewis H. Sorber, George M. Gale, b-flat clarinet; Harry Ammon, e-flat clarinet; William F. Haverstick, piccolo.

#### DRUM CORPS.

From time to time drum corps have been organ-

ized in West Chester. Some were short lived and passed out of existence without ever arriving at the dignity of uniforms.

The West Chester Grays, a corps organized about 1874, was considered the right one for furnishing martial music, as several of the players were old soldiers. Among those who marched to the stirring airs were Charles Riley, Leader; John Kauffman, Casper Fahnestock, James Eavenson, Milton Taylor, George Fahnestock, W. Lewis Kane, George E. Kane and Edward Roach. The last four were new recruits.

About 1879 a corps was organized under the leadership of George E. Kane, and it played for the Wayne Fencibles and the Eleventh Regiment while in camp. It was composed principally of young men. Some of its members were Louis N. Davis, Marshall Harlan, Harry Reed, Harry King, C. Sumner Shields, Monte Canizares, Herbert Farra, Scott Morrison, Frank Morrison.

The T. A. B. Drum Corps came into existence during the eighties, with Edward B. Farrell as Leader, and it existed through several seasons. Its members were Thomas Myers, Peter Ford, Joseph Travers, John Ford, Patrick Dunleavy, Frank Pierce, Thomas Treston, Edward Hayes, Isaac Reese, Walter Clark, William Quizley, Ed. Riley, Charles M. Carroll, Frank Ford, Fred Millhizer.

Several bodies of young colored men have organized with drums and fifes at different times and have aroused the town with stirring strains.



GILPIN'S MILLS ON BRANDYWINE CREEK.

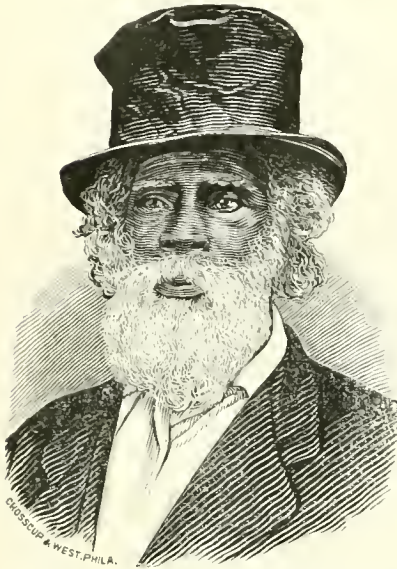


John Entriken, Joseph Battin, Abram Smith, Thomas Finegan, Jacob Farra, James Finn,  
Robert O. Jeffers, Chief.

WEST CHESTER'S POLICE FORCE.

## "GENERAL" JACKSON.

A Short Chapter on a Once Prominent Colored Resident.



**G**ENERAL JAMES JACKSON, whose portrait appears here, was born a slave of Betsy Jacobs, near Baltimore, Maryland, about the year 1778, and died in West Chester a dozen years since at the age of more than 100 years. His mistress married Benjamin Fowler, who was so cruel to his slaves that he was murdered by them, for which crime three of them were hung. His second master, Benjamin Walters, was as much a tyrant as the first, and his inhuman usage was such as to cause Jackson to resolve to run away. He passed through Baltimore, the next night slept in a fodder barn, and the third day was arrested by a man on the road as a runaway, but managed to escape from him, and at night arrived at Port Deposit bridge, the gates of which were shut and locked. The Susquehanna rolled between him and freedom. Goaded on by desperation, he scaled the gates and after a hard struggle landed on the opposite side. For several days following he wandered bewildered, traveling through Delaware, near to Frenchtown. He reached Newark the 31st of December, and the next day started for New Garden township, Chester county, Pa. Reaching there safely he hired to Thomas Gawthrop, and worked at wood-cutting on the Toughkenamon hills. He was a man of about thirty-five years of age when he ran away, which would place it about the year 1813. One of the first places he worked was at Jacob Lindley's, near where Avondale is now located, prior to 1814. Among others he worked for Benjamin Swayne, south of the Street road; for Dr. Michener, of New Garden; cut ship timber in "Dungoon Bottom" for Joseph Painter; worked for a short time for Jesse Matlack; carried the hod for William Hutz on some of the Bolmar school buildings; was similarly employed on the old school house on Barnard street,

Benjamin Price's schools, and the residence of the Everhart family. About 1828 he carried hod on Ozden's row of houses on New street, and many others, after which he became one of the principal wood sawyers of the borough. 1837 he commenced to work for Ezra Haines, where is now George F. Field's store, and served his successors, George B. Townsend and E. M. Hoopes, from 1858 until 1877, when he retired from active life. He married, March 28, 1833, Frances Green, who was bought from slavery when she was seven years old, afterwards enticed South and sold into slavery, from which she was rescued by Thaddeus Stevens and others; she then moved to West Chester, where she became acquainted with the "General," was married, and where she died, February 26, 1868. She was quite a noted fortune-teller. For fear of being discovered and returned to slavery Jackson's lips were closely sealed; his most intimate friends could rarely, if ever get him to mention his earlier history, until after he had availed himself of his franchise by casting his vote as a citizen of the United States, when he began to realize that he was "truly free."

## TRUST AND RELIEF SOCIETY.

A Charity Which Has Been Continued for Over Thirty-One Years.

**O**NE of the oldest and most thoroughly organized charities in the borough is the West Chester Trust and Relief Society, which held its first meeting July 11th, 1868, in the office of David M. McFarland, in what is now the Assembly Building, but was then the Meconkey mansion. Those in attendance were William P. Townsend, Addison May, J. Bayard Jefferis, Edward H. Hall and D. M. McFarland.

About this time John Hall, a watchmaker on East Gay street, had died, leaving by his will a sum of money, \$2150, which was to be devoted to assisting the poor of the borough. Eliza Bradley, who died within a short time, left the sum of \$250 for the same purpose. This proved a nucleus to which various amounts have been added from time to time.

The charter says, "This Association shall be called the West Chester Trust and Relief Society. Its object is and shall be to give aid and relief to such of the deserving and destitute and poor of the borough of West Chester and its immediate suburbs, as it shall deem worthy of such aid and relief, irrespective of race, color or religious sentiment and connection." These words are almost the same as those in the will of John Hall.

As charter members the names of the following are recorded: Addison May, Dr. Jesse C. Green, Philip P. Sharples, George Martin, M. D., Edward H. Hall, Eusebius H. Townsend, David M. McFarland, J. Bayard Jefferis, William P. Townsend.

Other names have been enrolled from time to time as there seemed need of more assistance, but the membership has never been much greater than the original number. Among those who are recorded as serving in this way are Evans Rogers, John Lent, I. Cary Carver, Robert Emmett Monaghan, Walter Hibbard, J. Smith Futhy, William Dar-



lington, William T. Barber, William P. Sharpless, Enos E. Thatcher, Dr. Joseph T. Rothrock, Captain Robert T. Cornwell.

The distribution of the funds is conducted through lady visitors, who district the town and look after the applications which are made for assistance. Mrs. Lydia T. Jefferis has been a visitor from the origin of the Society. Others who have taken a hand in the work are Mrs. Levi G. McCauley, Mrs. P. Frazer Smith, Miss Elizabeth Taylor, Mrs. R. E. Monaghan, Mrs. Rachel L. Price, Miss Naomi Gibbons, Miss M. G. Townsend, Miss Mary Darlington, Miss Anna Evans.

These officers are now in charge of the affairs of the Society: President, Dr. Jesse C. Green; Secretary, William P. Sharpless; Treasurer, Edward H. Hall.

## ST. AGNES T. A. B. SOCIETY.

Organized in 1873—Its Record Is a Part of the Town's History.

**U**NDER the spiritual guidance of Rev. James J. Fitzmaurice, Saint Agnes' Total Abstinence Benevolent Society was organized May 4th, 1873, by thirty-three young men. It has at present one hundred names on the roll book. From its ranks has gone forth a large number of Catholic young men who have been faithful to their pledge and are enabled to wage life's battle with clear brains and steady nerves.

November 6th, 1874, a Juvenile or Cadet Society was organized, its object being to take care of the young boys until they are old enough to join the adult society.

June 3d, 1877, a Ladies' Temperance Society was organized in the parish, and the members of this, by their influence and co-operation, have done a great deal to aid the men's society.

During its existence the Society has had a flourishing cornet band and a drum and pioneer corps, and since 1879 its members have yearly conducted a debating and literary society during the winter months. The meetings are held in the home of the organization, corner of Gay and Church streets, where a large hall is comfortably furnished.

In connection with its other work, since 1874, the Society has had a saving fund, where its younger members pay small sums weekly, and an annual distribution is made. With the close of the present year the savings will aggregate almost \$10,000.

During the 27 years of its existence, the Society has been prominent in all work and celebrations of home interest, and its many parades with visiting pioneer corps have been a source of pleasure and pride to our people.

Officers of St. Agnes' T. A. B. Society: President, Michael J. Murphy; Vice-President, Prof. Robert Anderson; Secretary, Martin J. Gill; Treasurer, Patrick J. Corcoran.

Officers of the Cadets: President, Rev. S. B. Spalding; Vice-President, M. J. Murphy; Secretary, John J. McFadden; Treasurer, William J. Corcoran.

Officers of the Ladies' Society: President, P. H. Corcoran; Vice-President, Miss Kate Riley; Secretary, Miss Mary Purtell; Treasurer, Miss Mary Hennessey.

## FIRST COLORED GRADUATE.



The first colored boy to graduate from the West Chester High School was William J. Moore. He attended the public schools of West Chester until his graduation from the High School in the Class of 1890. After his graduation he tried at several places to apprentice himself to learn a trade. Though skilful in the use of tools and willing to work, he found no employment. He then entered Howard University, at Washington, D. C., where he spent two years, specializing in Manual Training and Pedagogy. With thorough training in his profession he has since taught school at Greensprings, Del., West Chester, Pa., and Cape May, N. J., where he has been for the last four years principal of one of the colored schools.

## FIRST COLORED COUNCILMAN.



Moses G. Hepburn, the first colored Councilman to be elected in West Chester, 1882 and 1883, during the administration of Dr. James B. Wood as Chief Burgess. He was a native of Alexandria, Va., but came to this county during the Rebellion, and for about thirty years was proprietor of the Magnolia House. He amassed a considerable fortune, the greater part of which was invested in real estate. He died December 1, 1897, at the age of 65 years.



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## ERRATA

Page 110. Sentence beginning near top of second column should close at "still living." It is another Crowell, a relative, who is Secretary of the American Sunday-School Union.

Page 110. Sentence opposite cut, beginning, "A few colored people," should read, "A few colored people who had been enrolled as members, were granted certificates when the Second Presbyterian Church was organized, in 1877. Just one hundred were granted certificates to unite in the organization of the Westminster Presbyterian Church, in 1892."

Page 111. "Miner street, west of Wayne," should read, Miner street, west of New."

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